It is not what a man failed to accomplish after trying, but what he failed to try to do, when the opportunity presented itself, that should cause him regret. The thing is to try, and with all your might. There's no such word as CAN'T.

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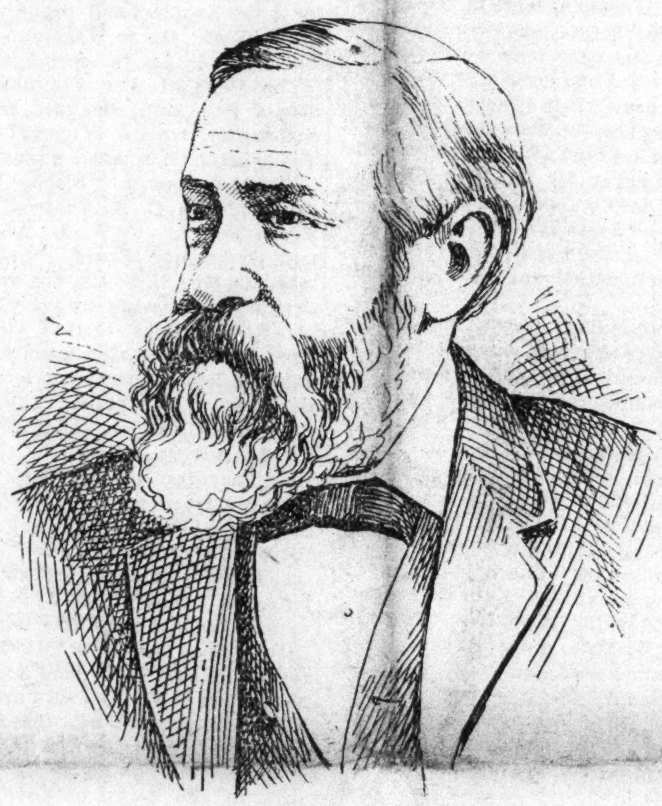

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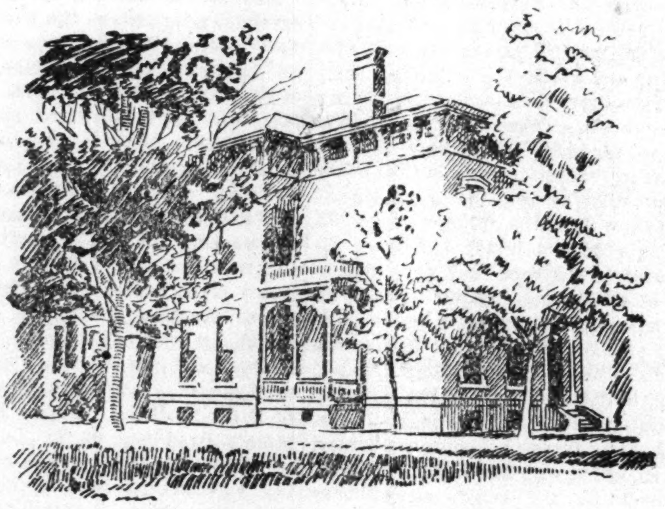

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FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

Odd Fellows Commemorate the Event—Imposing and

Interesting Exercises—The Chairman's Address—The Lodge Recapitulation—Household of Ruth.

Worcester, Mass., Special.

The first great event of the season among the secret organizations, of this city, came off Wednesday evening the 1st inst. The event was the celebrating of the introduction of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows in America, this being the fiftieth anniversary, which was a grand success, brought about by the united efforts of North Star Lodge No. 1372, the oldest in this State and Integrity Lodge 1768. The members of the two lodges worked in unity to its fullest extent; sparing no pains whatever to have the occasion properly presented before the members and friends. The programme consisted of entry of the orders, which were North Star No. 1372, Integrity No. 1768 and Household of Ruth, all in full regalia, prayer by Chaplain Rev. J. F. Walters; welcome address by A, F. Moore, of North Star Lodge; solo by Miss Ida Goens, of Marlboro, who was her own accompanist, ending with an oration by district Grand Master W. H. Clark, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Isaac Mason was chairman of the committee of arrangements, that consisted of G. A. Busby, H. C. Johnson, R. H. Rheddick, T. Moss, F. Wilson, D. Edwards, L. D. Kennedy, H. Herndon and H. L. Whitfield, Secretary. Prof. A. F. Moore, who delivered the welcome address to the District Grand Master of Massachusetts, W. H. Clark, with an increasing flow of intelligence, spoke of the past and present. The advancement of the Afro-American was reviewed in analogy. It was shown that a proportionate advance morally had been made as well as intellectually, that what happened to the sable sons and daughters of Ham in the past through the curse of slavery, accounted for their downward progress, that what man did through the emancipation of the slaves immeasurably accounted for his present high grade of genius. The Augustan Age, of Louis XIV, was cited as a valuable lesson of the effects of vice and declining freedom. The battle of life was pictured from the scenes of a real land battle, and the mutations necessarily therewith connected. Finally a glowing personal tribute was paid to the district grand master, and one and all was welcomed—yea—thrice welcomed—by the lodges forming a square around the hall, giving the usual six times nine, and singing their welcome ode.

The Hon. W. H. Clark then made the following address: Mr. Chairman, members and friends, It is as gratifying to me as an individual member of the G. U. O. of O F, as it is the capacity of district master, to observe the continual and rapid growth of the order; not only in this district, but throughout the country. Young and energetic men are finding their way into our mystic circle and are making themselves useful as well as ornamental; and because of their youth, ability and energy, the order is thriving, the place made vacant by the old fathers who have borne the burden in the heat of the day, and worn out with service, have retired to rest, are being filled by these strong young men, who infuse new blood into the organization, making firmer its foundation and adding strength and beauty to its principles. The principles of grand one of the noblest in the world) are the embodiment of all those virtues that go to make up true manhood and it is for you, young men, to foster and sustain those virtues by applying them in your dealings with each other, not only as Odd Fellows, but as brothers of a common father. In this way, they become a part of yourselves, and are made practical and helpful, and as the light of Odd Fellowship, its power which is knowledge and integrity, influences and controls your own lives, it becomes more practical and through you more easily influences those with whom you associate. If not so applied, it fails to be helpful, and if not useful, its most charming attribute is lost. I congratulate you and wish for you many years of usefulness. Respect and obey your superior officers, be to yourselves true, defend the truth always and everywhere, and with increasing affection for the principles of your grand order, and from them you will yet learn that to be good, is to be happy, let freindship be earnest and sincere, love warm and unselfish. Truth uncompromising and progressive, be men, do noble things, it is your privilege to do much good in the work under the wholesome and stimulating influences of the most enlightened and progressive civilization of the world. Young men, the success of the order, the upbuilding of the church, the purification of the society, the destiny of our race, all rests upon your shoulders, be thoughtful and earnest, sober and industrious, strong in character, ever mindful of duty, leave for your children and their children a history worthy of good and true men, and upon its pages in burning letters of fire, friendship, love and truth; shall burn all through time and be caught when time is no more by the celestial fire that shall burn on and on throughout eternity, press nobly on, and may God bless you.

The Grand Master then read a list of the number of lodges in this and other countries, which numbered 1429, with a membership of nearly 30,000 At the close of his remarks, all present formed and marched to an elaborate supper, prepared by Zahomyi. Tickets for the occasion were one dollar, and eighty sat down to appease their hunger and thirst. After all had partaken of a sumptuous supper, the chairman called upon the following to give a brief toast: Mr. H. L. Whitfield, of North Star Lodge, who represented the lodge well, and spoke encouragingly to all young men to enroll as soon as possible, saying they were out of debt, and own $500 worth of lodge property. Mrs. Mary E. Anderson spoke for the Household of Ruth, saying they were flourishing, can care for their sick, bury their dead, have two unfinancial members which were men, and have $692 in the bank, P. N. G., Thomas Moss, represented Integrity Lodge, giving a very favorable report of the order, its membership is increasing, and its funds also, Patriarchie No. 4, of Boston, was represented by H. C. Johnson, of Worcester and Partriarchie No. 15, of Cambridge, Mass., by F. Francois, of Worcester. The Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth, had their sermon preached to them Sunday evening the 5th inst.

Mr. P. Sanford has opened a new shop, corner Thomas and Main streets, where he will carry on barbering.

Mr. W. R. Smith paid Worcester a flying visit February 28th, to visit his mother, Mrs. Lindsey, who has been ill, but is rapidly gaining.

A birthday party was given by Mr. J, Cox, at his home, 13 Parker street, Tuesday evening, February 28th, he received many useful gifts, a cake with twenty-one candles upon it and an umbrella, was given him by his sisters, many other presents was received from friends.

King David Lodge, F. and A. M., will give their grand party, Wednesday evening, March 15th. Extra arrangements have been added and made during the postponement.

BEMOCRATIC ELECTION.

To Substitute for Deceased Magistrate—Court House Custodian.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. W. H. Garrett to Miss E. Morris. Mrs. John Robinson is visiting in Pine Bluff. The Y. M. S. and L. C. is making strenuious effort to give a grand concert. The postoffice is now in the U. S. Courthouse, the removal has disarranged the box numbers greatly, The Freeman box of this city is now 253. A Democratic election was held on the 28th to elect a magistrate to fill the vacancy of the deceased Hargraves. Messrs. Jno. L. Hicks and Clarence Quarles were aspirants, Mr. Quarles was elected. We lost a few of our subscribers by allowing them to owe; but several have succeeded them, saying they would not like to see The Freeman die in a city like Helena, if others will not pay they will. Miss Dollie Gentry has been very sick. Miss Sallie Grisson has taken her abode in the country, where she will remain quite a while. Misses Ida B. Adams and Anna C. Watson paid a visit to Lexa, Arkansas. A correspondent of this city for the Ferret Journal, writes that he will furnish readers with a copy each Saturday for five cents a copy, cash. He also states that he will not keep books as there is an agent and correspondent here who has over $30 on his book. Mr. I. C. Clark has been appointed custodian over the U. S Courthouse, which was opened on the first of March. A number of ladies and gentlemen met at Miss Anna Agustus Grey, where they indulged in merriment until a late hour, when they proceed to the residence of Mrs. Jessie Wright to surprise Miss Mary Walker, of Mariana and Miss Jessie Thomas, of Marvel, neices of Mrs. Wright, Miss Thomas returned home the next morning, Miss Walker contemplates remaining for a season. We received a check from Mrs. U. B. Burrow, of Pierce City, Mo., to pay for four weeks advertisement in the lost relative column for one Mr. Burrow, she neglected sending his discription, to whom married or related, therefore, it cannot appear until the 18th. Rev. Freeman was in the city visiting his brother, Rev. J. G. Freeman. Rev. J. W. Whitesides read the hymeneal rites to Mrs. C. M. Harvey, at her residence, on the second of March.

THE PRINCE TOBACCO GROWER.

A White Man Fatally Shoots a Negro over a Game of Craps.

Adairsville, Ky., Special.

Rev. D. W. Drone, the missionary for the Union District Association has been at home for the last two weeks on account of the relapse of Mrs. Drone. She is much improved at this writing. Rev. Drone resumed his labors on the 4th, inst. Mrs. McStanford, daughter of Rev. Drone, is sick. Rev. S. W. Selectman has a very sick child. Jonas Taylor, (col.), and Jesse Porter, (white), were engaged in a game of "craps," a difficulty arose between them, whereupon Taylor drew his revolver and fired at Porter. The ball struck a knife in Porter's pocket, causing the ball to glance without harming him. He returned the fire, taking effect in Taylor's left breast, causing instant death. Porter is still at large. If this had been a colored man killed a white man, he doubtless would have been mobbed before this. Mrs. Eliza Henderson, who has been in Clarksville, Tenn., for some time, has returned home. She is sick. Mrs. Anna McLane, of Greenville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. I. W. Selectman. The Baptist church has called Rev. F. T. Taylor. Rev. W. H. Hampton, of Bowling Green preached the Thanksgiving sermon for the Odd Fellows last Sunday. The entertainment given by the A. M. E. Zion church last Saturday night, was well attended. Our best citizens were present and all enjoyed themselves.

Baltimore, Md.

Rev. D. L. Washington, of Calvert county, Md., has one of the largest farms in that county, having 212 acres. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carpenter have a fine son. W. H. Smith is sick. Rev. D. L. Washington was in the city last week. Mrs. W. H. Weaver is sick. Robert H. Maddox died February 25th, and was buried from the Spring Street M. E. church. He was a brick maker and also an Odd Fellow. The ladies of the Madison Street Presbyterian church Aid Association deserve great credit for the artistic arrangement of the Fair. On Wednesday, March 1st, the articles were raffled off. The Fair closed on Thursday evening. Mrs. Martha Sharps will spend a few weeks in Washington, D. C., for her health. A grand concert and promenade was given by Miss Eliza Jones and company February 27th, at the Monumental Assembly rooms. There was a large attendance. Miss Jones is one of Baltimore's favorite singers. Mrs. Brayer is improving slowly. Our new public school will soon be completed. Wm. H. Carpenter, 224 W. Hill street, is agent for James G. Blaine's book, his life and history from his boyhood up to his death. The book is $1.50; full moroco, $2. H. Jones is a little better. N. B. Correspondents must send communications in letter form and more plainly written to secure publication.—[Ed.]

Mineola, Tex.

Colored people here own 360 acres of land, and if they take The Freeman they will do better. I have been a reader of your paper about six months, and I have found my father's wife's cousin. She lives in Helena, Ark. Her name is Tillie Herron. Your great paper has brought many together. I must have The Freeman.

Well-to-do Business Men.

Lithia Springs, Ga., Special.

G. W. Sharp, of this place, was married in 1890, and to-day he has got a home and is paying taxes on $2,000.50 worth of real estate. Hon. J. M. Williams, of Atlanta, Ga., is paying taxes on $5,000 worth of real estate Prof. J. H. Hightower has $4,000 in the Atlanta National bank. M. D. Brown is worth $3,000.

WANAMAKER GOLD MEDAL

Won by a Colored Man—Superior Efficiency and Tact

By Which Alone the Prize Feat was Won The Feat Most Remarkable—The Medal—The Winner.

Sacramento, Cal., Special.

There is nothing more effective to elevate the race generally in the eyes of the world and their enemies than when our young men by their mental and educational qualification, can excel their brother in white in whatever they start out to do, let it be in a competitive examination for railway mail clerk, a clerk in any mercantile institution or otherwise. The odds are so great, and the Afro-American labors under such disadvantages on account of the existing prejudices against his race and the color of his skin, that be is compelled to distance his white competiter in order to get the position. Edward Burns, who passed such a successful examination in the railway mail service about a year ago, has, in that short space of time, by his own energy—single-handed and alone—raised himself to the head of the many thousand clerks in the railway postal service in a competitive examination for superior industry and efficiency in that department. Does not that show the capabilities of the race? Let the young men of California take example from the young men Messrs. Ed Burns and J. H. Derrick, whose photos grace news columns this week, and strive to do something for themselves, and try to make themselves something more than a waiter, porter, or a bootblack. Let them learn trades and be mechanics, farmers, clerks and business men. Let the positions of porters, boot-blacks, waiters, etc., be for the older men who have not had the opportunities that the younger men of the race have in this day and time, and who are too old now to ever give the time and study required to qualify them for higher positions. We clip the following relating to Mr. Burns from the San Francisco Chronicle, the leading daily of California:

"The boys in the railway mail service are wondering how it happened, but it is a fact that a young colored railway postal clerk, the only one in the division, got away with Postmaster Wannamaker's gold medal for superior efficiency.

The scheme of awarding a gold medal in competitive examinations by Mr. Wannamaker, and was inangurated in 1890, when it was won in the Pacific coast division by F. E. Whitney. This is the second time the medal has been awarded and it was won by Edward Burns, a colored man, thirty years of age, who has been in the service for only a year past.

The medal, which was taken by Superintendent Flint for presentation to Burns in Sacramento yesterday, is of solid gold, one inch and a half in diameter, hanging down from a bar of the same metal. On it is the following inscription:

'Presented to Edward Burns, class 3, Redding and Sacramento railway postoffice in recognition of superior industry and efficiency, and for having distributed 100 per cent. on 10,003 cards at the competitive examination of 1892. John Wannamaker, Postmaster General.'

The examination is perhaps one of the severest tests to which the memory could be subjected and illustrates what can be accomplished by practice in this direction. A mass of cards, on which is printed only the name of a post office, with no hint of the state or county in which it is located, are given to the person to be examined, and he is supposed to know the right box in which it is to be deposited. The test requires an absolute knowledge of the whereabouts of every crossroad post office on the Pacific coast and in Texas; and when it is considered that out of 10,003 cards with the names of as many different postoffices on them, Mr. Burns did not make a single mistake, the feat must be admitted as remarkable. Mr. Burns' speed record in the distribution was 15 cards a minute. He was excelled in speed by some of the winners in other divisions, but not in accuracy.

Mr. Burns has had an eventful life. He was born in New Berne, N. C, Jan. 19, 1862, and received a common school education. Upon leaving school he joined the United States Army and served seven years in Arizona, where he was engaged fighting Apaches. About a year ago he succeeded in getting an appointment in the railway mail service, and he has made the run between Sacramento and Redding ever since. He lives at 1441 Linden street, Oakland.

Odd Fellows' Ball.

Wilkes Barre, Pa., Special.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, No. 1629, celebrated their fiftieth anniversary on the first of March by giving a ball in Germania Hall. John Logan gave an opening address, after which dancing was the order of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpless Curry, of Scranton, and Mrs. Louisa Williams, of Pittston, attended the Odd Fellows' ball. Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Downey left Wednesday night for Washington, D. C., to attend the inauguration. Mrs. Downey will stay in Washington till April the guest of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Throckmorton. Mrs. Jacob Cumpton is convalescing. Mr. N. B. Dennis, of Oakley, Pa., was in town, the guest of his brother, Mr. Wm. Dennis. Mr. Thomas Irving has taken his two children and silently left town. Mr. Irving's wife procured a divorce from him and the court granted her the care of her little daughter, Bessie. This child he has taken with him. His whereabouts are not known.

AFRO-AMERICANS COMBINE

Against a Concern that Insults the Race—A Polite Mill.

Prominent Pugilists and Athletes Wire for the Particulars—Negroes in Business—Personals.

Helena, Mont., Special.

"Negro patronage not needed" These are the words printed upon a sign and hung in the window of the Mineral Springs Restaurant on upper Main street. The restaurant is kept by a man (we cannot say gentlemen, for he is not) who came here two years ago and opened a restaurant with but a little cash in his pocket. He asked the public generally to patronize him as he was a poor man and needed assistance. I and others called to see him, we were treated all right, but what he gave us to eat we can find better back of the Bon Ton, and when he had secured some money ahead he took a trip and upon his return opened what is called the Mineral Springs Restaurant, and hung out the aforesaid shingle The papers are full of accounts how the colored people are treated South but there are some in Helena who would like to do likewise, and the Mineral Springs Restaurant is one of them. A meeting of some of Helena's colored men was called last Thursday and a resolution was passed that every one would use his influence among his white friends not to patronize the above named restaurant, and any colored man known to patronize him shall be fined five dollars. The Eureka Athletic club gave an entertainment at their apartments, which consisted of a programme with which all seemed satisfied. The room has been arranged into an arena with a twelve foot ring in the center. At one end are rows of seats and at the other an open space for spectators. The place was jammed with prominent colored sports. They paid $2 00 each. Ike Hays and Mickey Slavin sparred four rounds. The event of the evening was a finish contest by "Chocolate" Jones and Harry Johnson. Every thing went of in good order except the "event" and the only criticism of that is that it was decided on a foul. The decision, however, pleased the spectators. Before the contest James H. Lynch, a well known colored sport of Butte City, Mont., read telegrams from Richard K. Fox and Hiram Cook, referee of the California Athletic Club, asking for full particulars by wire and regretting their inability to be present. Later a message was read from Peter Jackson asking if the club cared to hang up a purse for his proposed fight with Corbett.

The masquerade last Tuesday was a great success. Mrs. Simmons the dancing teacher deserves great credit. The annual feast of the G. U, O. of O F., March 8th, will be one of the greatest events of the season. Prof. E. G. Cole will serve the feast. Their lodge numbers 42. Their new regalia, costing $250.00 will arrive in a few days. Frank Mitchell who has been down with the pneumonia is able to be around. Miss Callie Lucas, Mrs. Folkerson and Miss Libbie Maxwell are confined to their beds. The rooms of the Gospel mission on Main Street were filled on the 22d inst. Rev. J. P. Watson of the A M. E. church was the principal speaker. The "Bucket of Blood" is doing good business. Levy Sikens, the proprietor, is a man well thought of and well fitted for the business. Will Allen, proprietor of the "Mascot" is also doing a good business. It must be remembered that Mr, Allen is one of the best piano players in Helena. During the past week three new families have been added to Helena. Mrs Garry, who has the blind baby in charge, will take it east soon to have its eyes operated on. Mr. Moore who was cutting a great swell in Helena, "am done gone." He forgot to tell any of us good bye. He should have told his landlady good-bye, that she may not be waiting for him to come in.

GOOD BUSINESS MEN.

A Joint Discussion.—The Texas Legislature Being Petitioned for A University,

Houston, Texas, Special.

Houston is a city of some importance. Many colored people here read the Freeman and think something should be said concerning their doings. I had an interview with Mr, Milton Baker, the other day, and he said Houston is bound to come to the front in the course of time. He referred briefly to the consistent policy of colored men in business etc. Dr. T. R. Roby is doing a work that reflects great credit upon the medical institutions from whence he has hailed. (Meharry Medical college of Nashville Tenn,, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons, of Chicago, Ill.) Dr. W. H. Scott, has been ill for the past 4 or 5 days. Mr. J. E. Dibble has just returned home from school. He has been attending Meharry. The Upper Ten Social club gave a social and German on the 22d inst. Van H. McKinney, our popular artistic job printer, is doing work that will compare favorably with that of the white offices and he is receiving the patronage of both white and colored. Mr. Mr. C. N. Love is the most popular society man in the state. The Excelsior Epworth League of Mt. Vernon M E. church has challenged the league of Trinity church for a joint discussion. Prof. Plonden and Mr. E J, Scott will discuss this question at Trinity M. E. church next Sunday morning at 10: o'clock: "Resolved, That colored people should have a separate exhibit in the World's Fair." A state university for colored people is one of the things before the state legislature which we are watching eagerly. Petitions are being sent from eminent colored citizens to that body, asking for a careful consideration of our present educational facilities and for the adoption of the measure. Mr Geo. O. Jackson, of Little Rock, Ark., is in the employment of Van H. McKinney, the job printer. Trinity and Mt. Vernon M. E. churches are carrying on protracted meetings. A K. of P. society was set up here a few days ago with 52 members. Miss Pauline Byers has been quite ill for the past 8 or 9 days but is on the mend now. If we had a few more men like Rev. E. Lee, the community would soon be reformed.

The Freeman must always come to me
Though poverty may o'er me hang,
I like it, I take it, I read it,
And shall always keep it on hand.

Ordained to the Ministry.

Greenland, Fla., Special.

On Feb. 19th the Julington Baptist church was packed to her utmost capacity. People came from far and near to witness the examination and ordination of J. B, Green and G. Coleman, who have been studying for the gospel ministry. On the above date at 10:30 a. m., the Presbytery met at Julington Baptist church, at which time Rev. M. W. Gilbert was not present and Rev. Antimony Anderson was chosen to act in his stead. Rev. A. Anderson was elected chairman, after which a Presbytery Board was organized with six regular ordained Baptist ministers and many others. The examination was very rigid. J. B. Green made 90 per cent.; G. Coleman made 30 per cent. J. B. Green was declared to have passed, G. Coleman failed. The Council then proceeded to ordain J. B. Green. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. R. Kemps, of St. Augustine, Fla., and was very logical. Brother J. B. was then asked to kneel and the hands of six ministers were placed on his head. Interviewer Rev. H. Cade, of South Jacksonville, Fla., invoked the blessing. The charges were given by Rev. G. C. Coleman, of Bayard, Fla., and Rev. A. Anderson, of Maudarin, Fla. Then Brother J. B. Green was fellowshiped by all and recognized as a regular ordained Baptist minister. Mr. Green was born in or near Charleston, S. C., 1867, and was brought to this state by his parents soon after and located at Greenland, Fla., at which time there were no public schools in existence in this little town, but soon afterward one was built and Master J. B. entered at the age of 7. At the age of 20 he passed the Board of Public Instruction and commenced to teach, and has been teaching ever since. He was converted and baptized and became a member of the Julington Baptist church in 1882, under the pastorate of Rev. James Lewis. From then he became a useful member of both church and school, and in 1890 he was admitted to preach as a licentiate during the pastorate of Rev. H. Cade, at which time he commenced his course of study, which included three years acting in conformity with the Florida Baptist State convention, which convened at Pensacola, Fla. And on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1893, he was examined and stood 90 per cent. and was ordained to the ministry. Mr. Green reflects credit on his race.

"Only The Freeman."

Lincoln University, Pa., Special.

Rev. W. H. Peden, of the theological department, has gone to Asberry Park on business. S. J. Bampfield, class of '93, has gone to Philadelphia to have his eyes treated. Mr. Exum has been there a week for the same purpose, E. A. Houston has returned from his home where he was called by the illness and death of his father. J. H. Edwards says: "If you love your race you must like The Freeman." It is not only one of the newsiest papers in America but is edited with magnificent ability and spark ling brilliancy. No one can read its choice, judicious, wholesome and admirably filled columns without being edified, charmed, elightened and instructed. The last two issues can only be excelled by The Freeman itself.

Baltimore, Md,

A reception was given at Nazarite hall recently by the Knights Templar. A number of strangers attended. Hebrew Henry died Feb. 18th. Miss Mary Camphor died Feb. 21st after a long illness. She was a young lady much loved by John Wesley M. E. church and Sunday school. She was an active worker in the church and school. Mrs. Miller has gone to John Hopkins Hospital to be treated. Mrs. Addans is still sick. Rev I. S. Lee has been sick but is improving. Mr. John Brown, of Washington, D. C., was in the city last week.

HURRAH FOR THE WEST!

Advantages and Inducements to Western Immigration.

The Mongrel Factor Here, but Leaning Toward Caucasianism, are Lost in the Shuffle of Negro Census.

Spokane, Washington, Special.

No city of equal size in the United States having the same number of Afro-American residents, as Spokane, can boast of as great strides in business and financial progress as the young businessmen of this city. The number is constantly being increased, and the many fine openings that I have spoken of in previous letters, are being taken advantage of. Unusual activity marks the course, and promises permanent success The establishment of an Afro-American employment and real estate agency, by Messrs. J. H. Ryan and Chas. E. Hall, both capable and efficient gentlemen, who make a success of any undertaking. The insurance business is to be added shortly, thus affording all opportunity to secure beyond all doubts a competence for their families in the event of the "dread avenger" death. Mr. W. H. Gibbons, a retired army officer, prevents the very pleasing spectacle of an Afro-American broker and money lender, he has purchased within the past month several valuable lots, and placed several thousand dollars out at large interest. This is a direct refutation of an unfounded rumor, started by irresponsible parties, that we had no representative men who could draw their checks to amounts running into the thousands. Frank L. Wilson has been acting in the capacity of sub-agent for the New York Life Insurance Company, he reports great success, having secured within a week, more than a dozen applicants for policies for amounts ranging from $1,000 to $5,000

No obnoxious laws of any kind or character disgrace our statute books, therefore, it is nothing unusual to relate occurrences that may astound the incredulous elsewhere. Keep your eye on Washington State! and her intelligent, energetic, pulling-together, population and surprises unnumbered will yet be disclosed. The Texas "roasting exhibition" is being bitterly denounced by Western journals. Our home papers score the brutal wretches with scathing invectives. Its a matter of unmixed wonder to many who live north-east and West, why Afro-Americans will continue to reside among such depraved fiends when the golden opportunities of a life-time are offered them by a philanthropic race of men, who wish to see them escape the rancorous multitudes of the barbarous communities of the South, and distribute themselves elsewhere in the more civil and humane states of this country, the last census shows some surprising facts relative to the population or rather numerical figures respectively, of the two predominant races in the South. One of the most surprising and gratifying is the fact that, many southern states are fast becoming depopulated, Take the State of Mississipi for instance and note the decrease in the last decade, and the other noteworthy fact that the Afro-Americans show a decline of 13½ per cent. in a single decade which has been attributed to the fact that, propagation was on the decrease in our race to an alarming extent, there is one peculiarity existing in the West. I have noticed nowhere else in the United States, viz: Mulattoes have no hesitation in assuming Caucasian preference once, they safely leave the southern states, and so, as one who has lived many years in the South, and knows whereof they speak, I can safely assert there are over 1,000 such persons in this state at a minimum estimate. The same state of affairs exist in other western states, when these people were in the South, they did not dare, for fear of detection, claim any other race or blood except their own, as the penalty is severe. Once the narrow environments of the keen eyed "mossback" southerners, are left behind, these individuals rely upon their color and usually escape detection, new association among the white race make them soon lose their identity. Thus the state census gives Spokane an average Afro-American population of 250 inhabitants, and the writer would be willing to go before a notary and swear, that if mulattoes were included in this category, we have over 500. I seek to do no mischief by giving publicity to the foregoing, but several of our leading race men in seeking to explain, the decrease have juggled figures and letters to such an enormous extent and have so signally failed in their explanations that I give the above as an observation of my own, given for all it is worth. The Robert E, Elliott Association of Odd Fellow's report good success. John P. Chew has gone to Moscow, Idaho, where he embarks in business for himself. It's reported on good authority that W. A. Wright will become an attache of the postoffice after March 4th, as distributing clerk, Mr. Wright is one of our foremost and rising young business men, and the party that honors him honors the race. Mr. Bunch and B R Carle have recently added an elegant line of cigars, etc., to their magnificent line of goods and invite patronage. Mr. Edward Winlock, formerly of Chattanooga, Tenn., is here, and is so pleased with Spokane, he thinks of remaining permanently. A large exodus from the South is what the good citizens of this city most desire, there is room for all who may come where civil rights are enjoyed alike by all, and is the one inspiration of all good people who revere most the flag of our country, the just execution of our laws, and justice and fair play to all men.

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Kansas City, Kansas, Special.

All with one accord say to Mr. Cleveland, "give him whatever he requests." We mean Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, the fearless and brainy editor of the American Citizen, of this city. In a mass meeting of the representative citizens of this city on the 23d ulto., at the First Christian church. Mr. Taylor amidst ultimate enthusiasm, was unanimously endorsed for the office of Register of Deeds of the District of Columbia, to succeed Hon. B. K. Bruce. Awhile after the passing of a carefully prepared set of resolutions read by the chairman of the committee, Paul Jones, Mr. Taylor quietly put in his pleasing, sober, genial presence, and in answer to shout's of Taylor! Taylor! an address of twenty minutes duration, which will long be remembered, was heard from the distinguished sir. It is an indisputable fact that, Mr. Taylor is the happiest and proudest man in the West. On to Washington with Taylor and let joy be unconfined.

The issue of The Freeman under date of Feb. 18th, abounded in much rich matter in point of contributions. The articles "Men make chances," by C. Parker Gordon, "Bishop Turner skinned," by C. H. Shotwell, "The Texas horror," by W. L. Anderson, and Ex-Senator Bruce's "public career," by Geo. C. Smith, are worthy of the carefulest review by every Negro, Mr, E. P. McCabe's article also, merrited most scrutinizing attention. Col John M. Brown, county clerk of Shawnee county, Topeka, Kan., the monomaniac on Brazillian emigration, lectured to a large audience in this city last Thursday night. Mr. Brown thinks a large number of our race might immigrate to Brazil and do well there in the commercial way. His lecture abounds in much rich thought for reflection. Hon. C. H. J. Taylor will witness the inaugural exercises of Mr. Cleveland on the 4th of March. Patronize Charley Walker and send your news items to 526 Nebraska ave., K. C. K. We are proud to note that the press throughout the country give credit and praise in the right direction with regard to the defeat of the separate coach law bill in the Missouri Legislature recently. That's right, credit to C. H. J. Taylor, our race man.

In Memoriam.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Special.

Mrs. Mattie Fortson has been on an extended tour around the world. Dr. J. W. Lillard is here from Oklahoma on legal business. Mr. Albert Dade, of Gainsville, is ill with the dropsy. Misses Amanda Ledford and Annie Postell add much to the interesting Sunday morning by their timely productions. Curcuit court is now in session and some inportant cases are on the docket, one of the most noted, is the case against Ex-deputy Tax-collector O. S. Brown for malfeasance in office. Another is the trial of Wiles for the murder of Weaver. Mr. M. Holland and Mrs Neil Bell were called to Evansville last week by the death of their brother. Misses Lucy and Mamie Braddus, of St. Louis, Mo., were called to this city, Monday evening, Feb., 20th to witness the burial of their sister, Mrs. Florra Bell, who departed this life Sunday at 5:40 p. m. after a short illness. Mrs. Bell leaves a husband and three little children. They remained in the city a few days, and then left for Mt. Carmel, taking the two oldest children with them. After visiting Mt. Carmel they will return to their home in St. Louis, Mrs. Bell was a model wife and mother and died in full trimmph of faith.

Oh! Husband dear and children three,
You'll miss her well we know,
A model wife; a loving mother,
Has crossed the Jordan's flow.

Yet you live true unto your trust,
That when your Lord shall come,
That you, like her shall have a rest,
In an eternal home.

A FRIEND.

Searcy, Ark.

This is a very healthy place and is finely situated. There is no enterprise among the colored race here. There are only two colored churches in the city. Pastor of the Methodist church, G. T. Belk, from Thirston county; of the Baptist, Mr. Barns. The colored teacher has no school house. The only way they have to get their education is to use the churches, while the whites have two female and one male teacher and a large public school. There are three mineral springs and the colored people pay taxes on them, and it cost them $5 a drink. The principal of the independent school, Mrs. M. O B Evans; of the free school, J. I. Brown; of the district free school, No. 18, Mr. White, of Little Rock. We lost one of our students of the independent school, Henry Darden, fifteen years. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stewart was tendered a surprise party the 23rd by a number of her friends.

MR. MORRELL TO MR. M'CABE.

He Interrogates the Latter as to the Bona Fide Benefits

Awaiting the Black Man in Oklahoma—Also Concerning Obstacles said to Exist—An Apt Anecdote.

Editor Freeman.

Concerning the article of Feb. 18, written by the Hon. E. P. McCabe, we desire to say that, when we shall have become so learned in the art of journalism as the Hon. E. P. McCabe, and many another Freeman contributor, we might be willing to subscribe our name to every item of news we are permitted to furnish. We don't like, however, so much publicity, but for his benefit we will give the name. Not that we were afraid or ashamed to sign our name as the idea intimated in the article in question implies, but we think that the peeple care more for the news that the man's name, The Hon. E. P. McCabe is to be highly commended for his gallantry and labors in securing one hundred and sixty acres of land to each of twelve hundred Negro families.

We have always been committed to some extent to the policy of Bishop Turner. We believe what he claims to be possible for the Negro in Africa, can be essentially accomplished by colinization under favorable conditions in this country. Hon. E P. McCabe advises the Negroes at length to wit: "The colored people who are contemplating Oklahoma as their future home must come with sufficient money to take care of themselves and families etc." What is advice? The most worthless wretch in every community can give advice. Our writer puts, it "we can better teach twenty what were best to do, than be one of the twenty to follow our own instructions" The people want a topographical knowledge of the place. Its elevation and climate, and longitude and latitude. Its hills and rocks and streams and vales. What crops are produced and how much per acre. The kind of soil, and a chemical analysis of it in different parts. On what terms the government are apportioning lands to the settlers. A knowledge of these things coupled with moderate admonition is worth a cart load of advices and devices. The people want facts.

If the old Calhoun element of Southern Negro haters predominate among the settlers there, that territory will eventually offer no better civil and political privileges to the black man than these Southern sections. That a healthy public sentiment may be engendered repugnant to oppression, the colored man must settle among a people steeped in the principles of justice and right, a people who are inclined to regard a man as a man for his moral and material worth. Time and Congress and Oklahoma are no remedy for our evils. It takes a bloody revolution, such that freed us, to change the existing condition of society.

Permit us, Sir, if you please, to subject to you the following queries: Can you truthfully assert and verify the same, if need be, that four or five colored men were not killed in the rush for occupation and possession of the lands recently opened for settlement, or that no violence was done to the person of Negroes, such as is commonly perpetrated upon them for frivolous offenses? That the settlers there some five or six years ago, perhaps not so long, were without food and the U. S. government had them to feed two whole winters, and to supply with grain to plant their lands? Did not the Indians completely surround the habitable parts and pillage them? What means this hubbub about the Cherokee strip and the failure of Congress to act that we now read of?

We don't propose to swallow down the whole of Hon. E. P. McCabe's story and advice, when there are other eye witnesses writing about the same scenes, and because we have in part believed their report, McCabe rates us as "sitting on the stool of do nothing" and "standing with knife and pen ever ready to stab his or any one else's efforts." We profess to have as much philanthropy as any other Negro "dont care" if we haven't displayed it, like some other Afro-American more favored by chance.

The sparrow once had some land to sell, and he took a buzzard around to show him the boundaries. As they passed along the buzzard said: "How large does corn grow on this land?" "Well Sir," said the sparrow, "I have seen corn grow here as big as my leg." "Pooh!" exclaimed the buzzard, "before I'll buy land that produces corn no larger than your leg, I'll fly in the air and eat carrion all my days."

Yes, and before we Negroes will leave our comfortable homes, good schools and colleges, and fine farms to go to a bleak, barren prairie land with bad water and no rocks and forests for building purposes, we will forever more abide in these "pest ridden sections of the southland."

B. H. MORRELL.
McMinniville, Tenn.

Work of White Villians.

Dickson, Tenn., Special.

Five white men, ten miles north of this place, assaulted three colored girls on their way to church services on last Sabbath as they were journeying through a dense oak woods. Efforts were made to satisfy their lustful desires. Seeing that fight was shown, the miscreants resorted to foul means, by brutally beating the girls into submission. One of them is now lying at the point of death from the two fold injuries received. The other two are somewhat disabled and abed. Three of the fellows were caught and caged—nothing more Very little is heard of this affair. The Negroes are afraid to meet it, and the white people pay but little attention to it. I am angered and the occurrence "makes each petty artery as hardy as the Nemean lion's mouth nerve." We need a Toussiant L'Ouverture.

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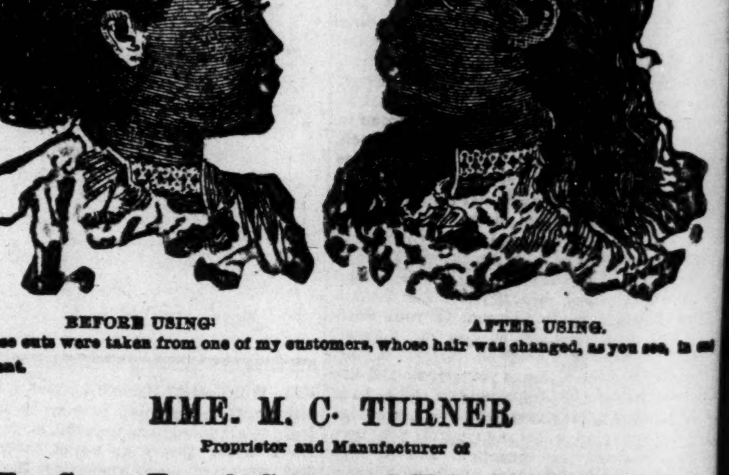
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WOMAN'S WORLD.

Instructive and Interesting Items of News,

Also Talks on Topics in Which She is Interested—The Home Makers.

Miss Carrie Dodson, of Groveton, Tex., is State Superintendent of Colored school work.

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Most of the obstacles which woman is called upon to confront, are the handiwork of woman.

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Mme. Sissieretta Jones and Miss Ednorah Nahar, appeared in New York March 7th and 8th.

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Mrs. L. W. Taylor, of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, was struck by a train on the C. B. & Q., and instantly killed.

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A local branch of the National Colored Woman's League has been formed in Boston, with Mrs. Ruffin as president.

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At Barnesville, S. C., last night, while a colored woman was at a frolic, her five children at home were burned to death.

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Men thrive and are dominant over women not so much by virtue of the power they exert, as of the power women fail to exert.

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Don't feed the bird whose name is calumny; it is on your neighbor's house now, but may decide to build its nest under your eaves-trough.

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Marshy N. Lyles, an Afro-American woman, of Sylvania, Ga., over seventy years of age, started in as a pupil in a local school a few days ago.

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Miss Mabel Whiting, formerly of Gallipolis, has received a diploma from Duff's college. Miss Whiting is probably the first young lady who has been thus honored.

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Be sure when an erring sister has been guilty of one indiscretion that you do not force her to commit many, through desperation at the scorn with which she is treated.

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Miss Fannie Hicks is in charge of the art school connected with the State University, at Louisville, which has twenty-three students and is the only one of its kind in the world.

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Do not let age overtake you and your faculties wane without ever having been applied to a task more honorable than is involved in the petty fermentations which bubble life.

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Remember if your neighbor don't make good pie and cake, her bread may be real wholesome, and bread being the "staff of life," this one trait should save her from wholesale condemnation.

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Let the resolve to lead a better life, which you made when you barely escaped a calamity, be kept burning on the altar of your remembrance. It may have been for the sole purpose of arousing your spiritual lethargy, that an abiding adversity find you not without a strong arm.

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Mrs. Winnie Watson, a lady of Louisville, Ky., is a graduate of the Clark school for embalming, and is the youngest female graduate in the world. She graduated in a class of 45, three colored, forty-two white, and took first honor. She is associated with her husband in the undertaking business.

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Tuesday afternoon, February 14th, Mme. Sissieretta Jones, sang at the residence of Judge Andrews, on Fifth avenue, New York, before a party of thirty ladies, among whom were, Mrs. Hicks Lord. Mrs. C. Fields, Mrs. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Stevens, and Mrs. Astor, at whose house Mme. Jones, will sing next week. The Chief Justice, of India, who was present, presented the singer with a valentine which, when opened, contained a check for $1,000 She also received a solid silver basket filled with choice flowers. The ladies pronounced the singing superior to Patti's and then sat down to lunch with Mme. Jones.

THE LADIES' PANSY CLUB

Entertain—Fair Women, Bewitching Song Make up a Splendid Occasion.

Raleigh, N. C., Special.

The annual Social and Literary entertainment of the Ladies' Pansy Club was given at the Odd Fellows' Hall, E. Hargett street, on last Friday evening, Feb. 24th. An event which will be long remembered by all who were present. The occasion was a grand one. The hall was beautifully decorated with bunting, flags and evergreen, while over the rostrum hung the large letters, in gold and purple colors, "L. P. L. C." At the appointed hour, after the guests were all assembled, the following programme was carried out: Chorus, by the Club; Invocation, by Rev. G. H. Smith. Then the president, Mrs. A. W. Hamlin, came forth, robed in an Empire gown of pink crepe and black velvet, with slippers, and delivered the opening address, followed by Mrs. J. W. Pope, attired in a corn colored silk, with black lace and slippers to match, who sang a solo. Miss Anna Price and Fannie Anderson, robed in pink and lavender, read an essay and selection respectively. Mrs. George Smith, in black silk with jet trimmings, sang a solo. Misses Mary Love, Pattie Love and Jennie Love, in their various costumes of black and cream colored silks, laces and lavender, came forth with recitations and solos. Mrs. E. Hackney and Miss P. Love appeared in their costly apparel and sang the duett of the occasion. Misses Phillips and Gary entertained the audience with a selection and solo, after which Misses F. M. and L. A. O'Kelly, in Grecian garb, gave the audience a recitation and club poem. Miss L. A. O'Kelly is quite a poetess We are informed that she will have a book of poems published very soon. The whole programme was fine and the scenes were indescribable There were many others present who did not take part in the programme, yet robed in their costly attire. At a late hour of the evening, cake and cream were served.

Free-Will Offering.

Fordyce, Ark., Special.

Free-will offering at St. John A. M. E. church Feb. 20th, which was grand. Club reports: No. 1, G. C. Galbert, captain, $16.40; No. 2, Thomas Story, captain, $11 70; No. 3, L. B. Wood, captain, $5 90; No. 4, W. E. Williams, captain, $5 10; No. 5, Bob Brown, captain, $12 70; No. 6, J. R. Toliver, captain, $15 05; No 7, J. W. Ricks, captain, $4 50. Mrs. Amanda Tatum, Winnie Toliver, Mollie A. Lee, Sue Millemer, $2 00 Dora Barnett was the Mistress of the various clubs. The young people's rally from Feb. 18th to 20th and the above amount was credited to the St. John A. M. E. church on the long and hard old debt. The young men have agreed to rally in a new club for our jubilee pull March 26th. Rev. G. A. Henry will move his family to Camden, Ark., this week, as it is near his work. G. C Galbert, L. B. Woods and W. L. Williams have took $20 00 each in their classes to raise for the rally March 26th. Logal Lee and Bob Malone are worth $2,000. They run a wagon shop. Elkin Jones, worth $1,500; Marshall Story, $1,500; Thomas Story, $1,500; Prof. Douglass, $1,500; Prof. J. W. Ricks, $1 500; Mrs. Mima Ingram, $1 500, Rev R Heard, $1,000; Rev. G. A. Henry, $500; Rev. A Allison, $500; Mrs. Carrie Story, $800; Rev. S. A. Toliver, $500; Thomas Clay, $1,500; G. W. Shelton, $1,500; and several others from $300 to $400. This town could be made a splendid financial place. Three schools are running, three churches with station pastors, five family grocers and eating-houses, one barber shop, two blacksmith shops, all belonging to the Negro race. There will be a box party given by the young people Saturday night, March 11 h. All are invited. Rev. A. L. Tatum, pastor of Daville Arkadelphia district, preached at the A. M. E. church, recently.

School and Farming Notes.

Howard, Miss., Special.

Trinity public school, taught by A. H. Green, of Lexington, Miss., as principal and R. H. Trueheart, first assistant, will close March the 17th. Our literary last Friday evening was addressed by Prof. R. H. Trueheart, of Lexington. The program for the next meeting will consist of essays, select reading, singing, and the interesting debate subject, "Resolved that reading is more beneficial than traveling." Affirmative, Wade Johnson, Polly Davenport, and Nora Parker; negative, M. F. Davenport, Mattie Davenport, and Sam Davenport Rev. R. C. Anderson preaches at the Trinity Baptist church the first Sunday in each month. The leading farmers are N. and Tom Wright, brothers, who own a farm of 200 acres in partnership, besides 12 head of horses, mules and cattle, all free from incumbrance; also each has several hundred dollars loaned out, A. R, Taylor is a prosperous farmer, but while he has personal property, money, and no mortgage on his stock, he has no real estate. Emanuel Hoskkins also owns a fine place,

A H, GREEN.

To The Rights of The Negro.

All who read The Freeman here say it is the greatest of all papers, in point of respectable reading. It is the one paper which sees the good deeds of our people as well as there ill deeds. It is outspoken and contends for the rights of our people. Our people need unity, race pride and self respect, and the sooner we learn to save a dollar, or men and women learn the value of their virtue, and we conduct ourselves as true ladies and gentlemen, the sooner we will be a people.

HARRY A. ROISTON.
Knoxville, Tenn.

Duncan, Miss.

The marriage of Gus Nelson and Miss Pinkie Ford took place Feb. 19th. Miss Ford is the daughter of Isaac Ford. Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. Brown, two baby boys.

"DO SOMETHING, BE SOMETHING."

Zeal, Energy, Education and Morality The Motor to Glorious Results.

Editor Freeman.

"Do something, be something," is a subject which addressed itself to me, after having read with care the columns of our interesting race journal, the Freeman. It created within me a new zeal to push forward, and not relinquish my enterprise, which is law. "To be something" carries with it the indispensable pre-requisite, "do something." The former is the necessary and logical sequence of the latter. It bears the analogy of the fruit to the tree, of the effect to the cause; of motion, to that which produces motion. By substitution we have character and conduct. Character is the discernable result of what has been done; conduct is action. Character is the product of of action. Like the fibrous roots of the plants are continually drinking the nutrient liquids from the soil, pouring them into the body, causing it to expand by a process which we call growth, so the mind in every moment is contributing to that which produces character. A large number of young men, upon whom shall rest the responsibilities and betterment of the future, seem to disregard this Tennessee, the state from which I came, is called the Athens of the South. Statistics show that its school system is only excelled in the United States by Massachusetts. It is true indeed that education is one of the principal headlights of civilization, but it seems that these great states with their world renowned colleges, universities and institutes, do not decrease their number or rate of atrocious crimes; and that justice and law seem overshadowed, when race feelings and party enthusiasm begin to rise. Many a colored man who tries to do right, win the respect and esteem of his brother in white, and, because he is intelligent and does not walk like a mule with the "blind staggers," but walks with chest expanded and head erect like a soldier going to battle, he is treated with inhuman contempt. Because the Creator has placed this dark pigment between the cuticle and cutis, which environ our bodies, is that any sign that our cerebral convolutions are wanting in gray matter, or that our cerebral convolutions depend upon the external color of the body, or the size and shape of our pedal extremities?

Within a period of two hundred and fifty years, we have risen from the lowest conceivable plan of reptile feeding sensousness, to that of a God-fearing, church-going and school-going men and women. We look at the elegant and conspicuous head of The Freeman, we see the scales of justice, and on a scroll, "and Ethiopia shall stretch forth her hands." "Let the dead past bury its dead," is often said. But the human mind cannot be content with the present, it is ever journeying through the trodden regions of the past, or making adventurous excursions into the mysterious realms of the future. It is said, "that our brains is a seventy-year-old clock," The angel of life winds it up once for all, then closes the case and gives the key to the angel of resurrection. Tic-tac, tic-tac, goes the wheel of thought. It cannot stop itself, sleep cannot stop it, anger makes it go faster. Death alone can break into the case, and seizing the ever swinging pendulum, the heart, silence at last the terrible escapement we have carried so long, beneath our wrinkled brow.

How many pendulums have ceased action at the hands of some inhuman people at some bridge, at the stake, or on the nearest tree? We bear all these pains now, but "it is a long lane that has no turns." The thirteenth and fourteenth amendments of the constitution, of the United States, secures the Negro's citizenship. And as long as he is loyal to that ensign, which was adopted by congress June 14, 1777, and the same ensign that Francis S. Key wanted to know whether it floated our Fort McHenry during the war 1812, when he composed the National song. Our State and National legislatures should both see that the law protects him ee'n, as a hen protects her chickens in the time of storm.

JOHN WESLEY ALEXANDER,
Indianapolis.

CROWNED WITH LAURELS.

Fair Hands Bring Garlands for W. L. Anderson, Cincinnati, O.

Editor The Freeman:

Allow space in your valuable paper that we may say in response to the speech by W. L. Anderson, in the issue of Feb. 18th, concerning the "Texas Horror," the following: That we, as readers of The Freeman and future women of the Negro race, do highly appreciate and commend his sentiments against that and all other horrible means of unjust punishment to which members of our race are being subjected daily—in the South especially. We further trust that through such members as he the dark clouds of oppression will, in the near future, be forever expelled and the true sun of justice shine upon us as a race. Yours for the cause of liberty, Mary E. Brown, Chairman; Mattie L. Johnson, Amanda A. Henderson, Ada Johnson, Maggie Henderson, Asenath Polk, Anna Baker, Hester Miller, Rosalea Graham, Hot Springs, Ark.

BUOYANCY OF BODY can never be realized when the bowels do not act as nature intends they should. Instead, there is headache, weight in the stomach after eating, acidity and belching up of wind, low spirits, loss of energy, unsociability and forebodings of evil. An unhappy condition, but

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Madame is the only one in the world who can tell you the FULL NAME of your future husband, with age and date of marriage, and tells whether the one you love is true or false.

EGYPTIAN TALISMANS.

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Reader, do you ever notice that some people seem to have good luck all the time, no matter what they do, they seem to prosper, while others, yourself may be, have such a hard time to get along, no matter how hard they try, they find at the end of the year they are no better off than when they started. This is because they have not the Talisman, while the successful people, in all probabilities, have been to one of the few genuine mediums and obtained one.

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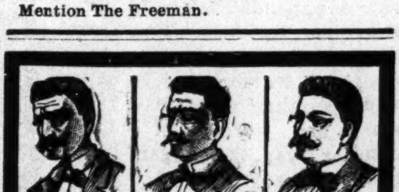

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CLEVELAND'S GREAT CHANCE.

The Democratic party, despite the vitalizing influence of Cleveland's personality, in taking full possession of the government March the 4th, assumed a greater job than it has been permitted to assume, since it endeavored to break up the Union in the interest of slavery, between '60 and '65. For more than thirty years the people, or those of the people who have been allowed to vote and have their vote counted, have steadfastly refused to trust the entire control of government affairs into the hands of the Democratic party, that they have at last done so, is yet to be decided whether they have acted with wisdom and discretion. Several times since the rebellion was brought to a close the country has been treated to the spectacle of a Democratic House, but a Republican Senate was on the ground as a checkmate and saving force. While Mr. Cleveland may become at last the rock on which his party may eventually split and go to pieces, thereby accomplishing what the Republican party has never been quite able to do, for Mr. Cleveland is a statesman with "views," it must be conceded that it was he who injected new blood into the veins of its old and effete carcass, transforming it from a party without an issue and without an aim, into an organization apparently bent on accomplishing something that could appeal to the indorsement of the people. Mr. Cleveland's now famous tariff reform message not only clothed in a new and attractive garb that old threadbare topic of discussion, that American statesmen have been warring over since the days of Jefferson and Hamilton, but it afforded the Democratic party a war cry for the first time in a quarter of a century. But we warn the party in power to day not to lay the flattering unction to their soul that they have throve so well and good, because of any specific, infallible virtue of their position, which is as yet an experiment, for the verdict of history will be, that for the first time in over thirty years, the country selected a Democratic government clear through, President, House and Senate, because the Republican party was not equal at a vital moment to the duties that stared it in the face. The Indianapolis News of March the 4th, in an endeavor to account for the present situation at the nation's capital, said in part, after referring to the re-action which set in after Cleveland's extreme low tariff views, which brought about his defeat:

> "The Republicans were returned to power, to full power, on the understanding that the tariff was to be revised by its friends. Flushed with victory, and confident of the future, the party managers under unusual parliamentary methods proceeded to pass the McKinley bill, in which protection was no longer a policy, but an eternal principle; and attempted to pass a Federal elections bill, which violated the traditions and policy of a century of national life. The cooler-headed leaders deprecated the radical policy of the party in both particulars, but their warnings went for naught. The people expressed their views by returning to Congress the largest majority of Democrats the country had ever seen. Still the Republicans adhered to their new found creed of McKinleyism, and appealed to the country to reverse its decision of 1890 and give approval. Again the country gave emphatic answer, though the Democrats had announced their faith in the most aggressive and radical language. The Republicans lost even the Senate.

"Proceeded to pass the McKinley bill," and "attempted to pass a Federal elections law," tells the story of Democratic success, and Republican defeat in a nutshell, but not for the reasons that the News urges as a cause. Had the Republican party nailed its flag to the mast, burned the bridges behind it, in the name of pure elections, a fair vote and honest count, and protection to the black man of the South, instead of sacrificing everything to the further benefit of the plutocrats and monied kings of the land, it would not to-day have been a defeated party with a hazy future before it, and its high places filled with Democratic swashbucklers hailing from Dan to Beersheba. If instead of declaring for Protection as an "eternal principle," it had possessed the courage to have declared and fought for the principle in fact, of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," for the blackest as well as the whitest citizen of this land, North, South, East and West, Benjamin Harrison would have been our President to-day, and the Democratic party a barren defeated reminiscense. But the party that once boasted of and throve under the guidance of Sumner, Conkling, Stevens, Morton and Chandler, turned its back upon the courage of other days and epochs, and substituting the delusive hag of expediency, for the eternal presence of principle, the world knows the sequel. Of Mr. Clevevand's patriotic aims, there is no question. Inasmuch as it shall lie in him to do, he will do, and we fear not, but that he will make a well meaning, careful, conservative Chief Magistrate, his message indicates this, but alas, only this. Not since Lincoln has there been vouchsafed to an American President the opportunity to immortalize himself as stares Grover Cleveland in the face to-day. To be sure as a mere party man, he is under no obligation to do such a thing, but if on some unlooked for day he should be found equal to his opportunity, and should send to Congress a special message, quoting the higher law of humanity, and demanding in the name of that law, that some step be taken to put an end forever to the horrid barbarities that for years have been practiced upon the Negro of the South, the niche that he would henceforth occupy in our country's temple of fame, would be side by side

> "With the immortal names
> That were not born to die."

It is a vital moment, a vital opportunity, pregnant with results, which means the plaudits of the world for President Cleveland and unbroken years of power for his party, if it could be great and humane enough to sustain him, but party or no party, let us pray that Grover Cleveland, our President, will be given strength by Him who rules above, magistrates and kings, to dare to do right.

WHAT THEY SAID.

Senator Bruce declared that "luck is a fool. To succeed a man must have inherent capacity and force. I am going out of politics. I am going into business right here in the District of Columbia, and not in Mississippi, where I have interests I shall not neglect, however."

Ex-Governor Pinchback was very much disgusted with the political situation. The election of a Democrat to the Federal Senate by the Republican Legislature of North Dakota appeared to be the straw that broke the backbone of his political faith.

"You can say," exclaimed the handsome and smiling ex-Governor of Louisiana, "you can say that I am no longer a Republican, that I have never been a Democrat, and you can say that now I belong to the Grover Cleveland party!"

And ex-Senator Bruce, of Mississippi, shook his head and smiled one of those smiles no fellow has ever got on the inside of.

As for me, I listened.—Tom Fortune, in "Men and Things at Washington."

Luck may be a "fool" as Senator Bruce curtly reflects, but he's an all fired profitable fool to have around sometimes, especially when he is headed the right way. The "handsome and smiling" Pinchback has not been quite himself politically since shortly after Harrison's election. Pretty play upon words that, but some people would like to know how Gov. Pinchback could allow himself written down as belonging to the "Grover Cleveland party," and not be a Democrat.

WHAT a spiteful race those pesky Chillians are. Never having forgave President Harrison because he made them "walk chalk," relative to their insult to "Old Glory," they hasten to emphasize their spleen towards the Hoosier ex-President and the Republican party, by sending a congratulatory dispatch to Cleveland, saying among other sycophantic expressions:

> "Recognizing your political attitude in the past the government of Chili and the Chillian people consider that your re-election as chief magistrate of the United States is a pledge that your government will preserve the tranquillity and well being of nations upon the American continent."

These antipodeian hot heads have a very cheap estimate of Cleveland, if we have guaged the man right, if they think such flattering slosh would prevent him from calling them to time in the same manner Harrison did should occasion require it. Cleveland is a Democrat, but he is also an American.

HAVE you noticed the lull in the Hawaiian matter? Spreckles, the sugar nabob, who set the whole dirty business on foot, for the dollars that seemed to be in it, don't feel as sanguine as he did a few days ago. Future developments will be interesting.

"IF I SHOULD DIE."

If I should die to-night
And you should come to my cold corpse and say,
Weeping and heartsick o'er my lifeless clay—
If I should die to-night
And you should come in deepest grief and woe
And say: "Here's that $10 that I owe,"
I might arise in my white cravat
And say, "What's that?"

If I should die to-night
And you should come to my cold corpse and kneel,
Clasping my bier to show the grief you feel—
I say if I should die to-night
And you should come to me and there and then
Just even hint 'bout paying me that ten,
I might arise the while,
But I'd drop dead again.

—Chicago Mail.

A GOLDEN TEXT.

> "Don't feed the bird whose name is calumny; it is on your neighbor's house now, but may decide to build its nest under your eaves-trough."

This from the pen of Mrs. Lillian Thomas, in her "Woman's World" of this week's FREEMAN, is an offering of pure gold which we would that every member of the race could read, and reading, burn it into their memory as a talisman of future resolve and action. Carlyle, Emerson, Tupper, nay, Shakespeare himself, never uttered a more valuable aphorism. It is short, but four brief lines, but so big, so full of truth, that volumes could be filled from it, without in the least exhausting the supply. Do you doubt it? Visit in the phantasy the myriads upon myriads of erstwhile happy homes in the land, that to-day, in your community and everywhere, are clouded, and around whose firesides stalks the spectre of desolation and sorrow, the work of slander, calumny, vile brood of hell, and then say if you can, that ever better advice was uttered in so small a space and time. Yes, it is on your neighbor's house to-day, but beware! Glory not to yourself, that you and yours are spared; to-morrow, yea to-night, even while

> "In light winged dreams"

you ascend to heaven, it will come to the most innocent lambkin in your fold, for its motto is to slay and spare not, and on the morrow her fair name will be tarnished, her pure life muddied, and the roses withering from her cheek, you will make her grave, when the grasses wave the greenest, and none shall know the cruel hand that stabbed a household thus stealthily in the dark. Do not encourage calumny, it is here, there and everywhere, and grows by what it feeds upon. No life is safe, no reputation secure, no home too sacred to be visited by its polluting presence. It kneels with you around the altar when you break the body and drink the precious blood of Christ. It is attired in broadcloth and satin, has the entree to your most select circles, and smiles at you out of eyes of brave and honest expression. Beware its presence, enter not into partnership with it. What, though your boy is the idol of your soul, the hope of your declining years, it matters not, calumny will mark him for her own, and the foul bird that you in your thoughtlessness had nurtured, will croak in heartless glee, when the staff of your hope is broken and wrenched from the parent stock. Turn not to books for stories that tell of broken hearts, of defeated aims, of crushed and tired lives, only waiting, patiently waiting, for the summons that means repose, rest at last, from "man's inhumanity to man," lo, on every side of you are tragedies being daily enacted through calumny's hellish arts, that did you know their nature, the slanderous first cause that started the ruin of life and hope, your heart would be wrung with such grief as fiction can never inspire. Somewhere, sometime, calumny ever busy, never idle, had dropped his spawn, time, and you, who thoughtlessly, let us hope, had helped to spread it, had done the rest. The Great Master, when man and woman who feed the bird whose name is calumny, have done their worst, can re-habilitate in other worlds, of higher mystery far away, the haggard form, and banish the frightened, pleading look, of slander's pitiful victim, but that He will forgive the authors of such devastation, we cannot say—we hardly hope—so cruel, so awful is their sin. Read the text again, and again, you cannot exhaust it, it is a living flame of grand and ennobling advice, sow it in your memory, practice its eternal truth, teach it to your children, throw it as a shield before your friend, invoke it for the protection of the weak, guard your home by it, and your neighbor's home, and then will you have acted in the letter and the spirit, the tenderst advice that fell from the lips of the Fair God, who spake as never man spake, and bade you love your neighbor as yourself.

INDIANA'S NEGRO LEGISLATOR.

"True it is, and pity 'tis, 'tis true." Indiana's solitary colored member of the "rank" Legislature, who have at last taken themselves to their home's for the State's good did not distinguish himself a "little bit" during the two months in which he drew his per diem with the regularity of an old stager. To be sure it was a Democratic body, and the Rev. Mr. Bassett found himself a member of a quite hopeless minority; but had he been made of the proper "stuff" there had not been lacking times when he could have stamped his individuality upon the attention of that "slow coach" in a manner that would have been remembered if nothing more. As it is, he has succeeded in getting himself into the columns of the local papers of his rural bailiwick in a manner that must be wormwood and gall to his strong reverential anatomy. If Mr. Bassett was a man of peace and prayer, he, nevertheless, occasionally voted for and against the different measures that occupied the attention of the "lower" House during the time he was being payed to represent the interests of the citizens of the neighboring county of Howard. Among other bills that he voted for was the one known as the Haggard gas bill. A propos of the same, and Brother Bassett's vote, the Kokomo Republican thus discourseth:

> "In Bassett's vote for the Haggard gas bill Howard county's betrayal is bad enough. * * * The vicious bill is practically a democratic measure. * * Bassett's sin consists in voting with the Democrats in support of an infamous measure, backed exclusively by a democratic lobby and supported almost exclusively by Democratic votes. He ought to know that any Republican, black or white, invariably commits an outrage when he co-operates with such vicious company.

We do not share the Republican's condemnation of Mr, Bassett because he voted with the Democrats on a certain bill, if his conscience and judgement was behind the act, nor does a Republican always commit "an outrage" when he co-operates with Democrats at times in matters of public legislation. Mr. Bassett is a christian gentlemen of mild manners, and passing talents in the pulpit, but apparently entirely out of his sphere, and quite useless in the exciting whirl of practical work-a-day politics. It is a lamentable fact that the Indiana legislator is an object lesson of the general calibre of men, colored men, who are selected either by chance or intention to fill the responsible positions, that political parties sometimes are constrained to offer to the colored man and brother. The able, bright energetic men of the race, are seldon given a chance to go to the front for the dual reason that the whites oppose them openly, and their own race stabs them secretly. How much this unfortunate condition of things has had to do with retarding the progress of the race, in more ways than one, may never be known, and we can only look to an enlightened, broadened out public opinion within the ranks of our own race first, to abate and do away entirely with this pernicious habit. There is no people on the face of the earth that can so little afford to indulge it as the Negro. In picking men to represent him in the white glare of public or representative gathering, where he will be judged and valued by those selected to speak and plead for him, haste the day when he will learn to pick his best and ablest men, and by pushing them to the front push himself along at the same time.

MR. CLEVELAND'S Negro contingent still lingers in Washington. "What will the harvest be?"

WELCOME Gen. Harrison, also the adjournment of the legislature. "Thus runs the world away."

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S home-welcome was a spontaneous outburst of admirers, irrespective of party.

WHERE was Hon. Isaac P. Gray during the inaugural exercises at Washington, and will some one tell us who will get that Mexican mission anyhow?

THE British press can't get through saying good things of Cleveland. Oh well, there's no accounting for whims, but for the press of a nation who never did like America to pick out one certain public man and laud him to the skies, is a trifle significant, to say the least.

MR. CLEVELAND'S inaugural speech imparted but poor comfort to the "gang" who made the trip to Washington looking for "spoils." However, what a newly elected president says on such occasions, is not always an accurate index of what will follow, and the "boys" in waiting may solace themselves with the thought that while there's life, there's hope.

GEN. HARRISON has solved the problem, "What shall we do with our ex-presidents," and instead of rusting by inaction, will do the youth of his country a service, and receive $25,000 per year, as a lecturer on Constitutional Law at the Leland Stanford University, California. The press of all parties have nothing but eulogistic praise of his determination, and he deserves it.

> "OUR esteemed contemporary, the Indianapolis Freeman, commenting upon the hustling qualities of the Hon. Charles H. J. Taylor, of the Kansas City American Citizen, is bold to say that it will be badly disappointed if President Cleveland does not do the square thing by his black allies. That is handsome, Mr. Sweeney. To the victors belong the good things of victory, and it is to the advantage of the race to be in the swim which ever way the current runs."—New York Age.

As Artemas Ward would say, this seems to have been "writ sarkastic." Pending further illumination on our Cedar street brother's drift, we write: "No more of this Hal, and thou lovest me."

WELCOME! BENJAMIN HARRISON.

> The purest treasure mortal times afford,
> Is spotless reputation; that away,
> Men are but gilded loam or painted clay.
> —Shakespeare.
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> Your presence glads our days.
> —Ibid.

The cares, responsibilities, mal-reflections, growing out of his great office, which on the average up, even his political foes admit he has filled judiciously and well, having been laid down, Mr. Harrison is once more in our midst—our most honored and distinguished citizen. The welcome that greeted him on his return to his home was such an one, as only the best strata of society could give, and was not confined to party, creed or race. The spectacle was an inspiration, and was a welcome diversion and rest, from the littleness so prevalent and obtrusive, in this old, old world of ours. But Mr. Harrison deserved it all, first as a man whose private life has been a poem of flawless aim and action, secondly as an ex-Chief Magistrate of the greatest people on earth, who had passed through safely and without reproach, as far as the sincerity and patriotism of his aims were concerned, the most exacting crucible within the gift of the American people. Some weeks since, anticipating the occasion of his home-coming, we said, referring to the approaching close of his term of office:

"Those labors are now drawing to a close. Out of the means placed in his hands, he has wrought well, and good, and honest. He has been the President of all the people, irrespective of race or section, and he may well exclaim, if occasion shall require it,

> "If I am traduced by tongues which neither know
> My faculties, nor person, yet will be
> The chronicles of my doing,—let me say,
> 'Tis but the fate of place, and the rough
> Brake that virtue must go through."

Other than such defense for the place that his administration will take in history, with those that have preceded it, there will be no occasion, for it will stand with the greatest and best, but in the very act of crossing the threshhold of the Executive Mansion for the last time, as he turns his face toward the city of his home, what sense of duty well done, what sympathy make up, for the absence of her who shared with him the triumphs of his election, his journey to the Capital and the after cares of official life, as only a noble wife could do? For him, as for all men who have passed through that strain of imperial grief, the world, the rushing unfeeling world, will be the same, but its sunshine will have departed. But Benjamin Harrison is a man, and a christian, and possesses to an eminent degree the fortitude of the one, and the resignation of the other."

Nothing has happened since to change our opinion of his administration, or our esteem for him as a man, and we sincerely give voice to the hope that his days may be long and many, among those who delight to honor him.

THE MESSAGE.

> "The president began the delivery of his address about 1:30 o'clock, and it occupied twenty-five minutes."

So says a dispatch, and for a twenty five minute talk from a Democratic standpoint, it was first rate don't you think? His remarks on the currency were timely and in line with the wisest financial sense and instead of being autocratic and domineering in tone, was as much as anything, an appeal that his party should be guided wisely out of its "embarassing position" by a freedom from "intolerance or passion." For the sake of Mr. Cleveland whose troubles have just commenced we might offer prayer, but his hope that the warring Gladiators who compose the different factions of "Silverites" in his camp will act without "intolerance or passion" shows how little he understand the animal he has to deal with. Against "protection for protection's sake," his favorite spot of attack he grows quite eloquent, and says some mighty good sounding things, and denominates it "the bane of Republican institutions and constant peril of government by the people." Mr. Cleveland is a platitudinarian or nothing, especially on the Republican idea of tariff duties, hence no matter what the sound of his anti-protective aphorisms, they will be as tinkling brass, and sounding cymbal to the people, until they shall actually know by experience that "tariff reform" is the blessing in disguise proclaimed for it. Catching his breath and straightening up his robust anatomy until he seemed to fairly tower with indignant earnestness; the way he went for the hopes of the "heelers" and "spoilsmen" of his party was a caution and a sight, incidentally tickling the Civil Service Reformers, below the risible ribs. Read this you hungry demons waiting for Republican heads, and crown your chief with, the flowers of your gratitude if you can.

> One more of the misappropriations of public funds is avoided when appointments to office, instead of being the rewards of partisan activity, are awarded to those whose efficiency promises a fair return of work for the compensation paid to them. To secure the fitness and competency of appointees to office and to remove from political action the demoralizing madness for spoils, civil-service reform has found a place in our public policy and laws. The benefits already gained through this instrumentality and the further usefulness it promises, entitle it to the hearty support and encouragement of all who desire to see our public service well performed, or who hope for the elevation of political sentiment and the purification of political methods.

His pronunciamento against "trusts" and the disposition to allow them to flourish, meets with our hearty approval. Nothing truer or more American than this could be said.

> The existence of immense aggregations of kindred enterprises and combinations of business interests, formed for the purpose of limiting production and fixing prices, is inconsistent with the fair field which ought to be open to every independent activity. Legitimate strife in business should not be superceded by an enforced concession to the demands of combinations that have the power to distroy; nor should the people to be served lose the benefit of cheapness which usually results from wholesome competition.

Upon the question which is uppermost with the race, Mr. Cleveland said little, quite little, but as much as he did say was to the point and if he can bring his party to act up to this line of justice and American fairness we shall be content. Listen to his words:

> Loyality to the principles upon which our government rests positively demands that the equality before the law which it guarantees to every citizen should be justly and in good faith conceded to all parts of the land. The enjoyment of this right follows the badge of citizenship wherever found, and, unimpaired by race or color, it appeals for recognition to American manliness and fairness.

After indulging in the usual "white man talk" about "Lo," he accomplishes a graceful wind up by reminding his party of its pledges to the people, who being placed in power must do what they have pledged themselves to do, or be held to "a swift and exacting, accountability." Now let the band play and the procession commence to move. Hipolah!

NOW COMES the report that the late body of Indiana Solons, who have hied themselves to their rural obscurity for Indiana's good, had a temporary "fount of gladness" in full flow in the basement of the State House to "drive dull care away." Well may our good temperance brethren hold up their hands in horror, and exclaim: "Where are we at," my masters!

Act Race Pride.

Danville, Va., Special.

Rev. W. R. Coles, of Aiken, S. C., and Superintendent of the Emmanuel Presbyterian mission, of Aiken, was called to the city on account of the sickness of his mother, who lives about ten miles from the city. M. B. Johns is smiling. His wife presented him with a fine boy Feb. 27. Rev. Moss, of Lexington, Va, has taken charge of the Loyal street Baptist church. Rev. J. L. Barksdale is having success with his series of meetings at High Street Baptist church. We have more preachers in this city than any city in the state of its size, and I don't sell a preacher in the city a paper, and we have five churches here. The five churches are in South Danville and two in North Danville. We have about ten or twelve ministers in this city and North Danville together, and they are supposed to be the leaders of the people, and yet they wont pay 5cts for a paper like The Freeman, a paper that is published for the intellectual, moral and spiritual good of the race, yet they get in the pulpit and speak about what rapid progress we have made, but wont spend one five cents to carry on the good work of race elevation. Jerry Smith is very ill at his residence, No. 782 Union street, with consumption. Rev. Watkins, D. D., of Richmond, Va., was in the city Sunday, Feb. 26, Mrs. Louisa Scott is very ill at her residence Union street. Johnnie Paxton is very sick at his mother's residence Neuton street. Miss Annie B. Hill, the daughter of William Hill, died Feb. 24th., in Jacksonville. She was in the prime of life and was loved by all who knew her. Preparation for the celebration on the 30th of May are already being made and Prof. G. W. Hayes, of Lynchburg, Va., will speak. W. J. Reid arrived home Feb. 27th, from Freeport, Ill. Thomas Fuller lost his infant child Feb. 18th. Clark, who killed Rev. Mofett in this city last Nov. was sent to state prison for five years, The jury was from Lynchburg, Va The child drowned in Sandy Creek, Feb. 15th, has not been found yet, Rev. William Yancy visited Mill Creek school March 3d, of which Jas. A. Garland is teacher.

Strange but True.

DEAR SIR:—I notice in the last issue of The Freeman that the gentleman from Cleveland, Ohio, makes an encouraging appeal to the young men and ladies of the race. I read it over twice and pronounce it right to the point and I hope that it will be as a motto to our race or rather to the rising generation. One thing that hurts the moral standard of our society of this age is the lax social restriction of our young ladies who may be seen walking the street with men of known immorality; instead of barring such as are known to gamble, swear, drink, and keep disreputable society. Ladies are to apt to shun a good man if he doesn't happen to dress fine and associate with a gambler because he dresses fine.

A. J. YOUNG
SIOUX RAPIDS, IA.

Alleghany, Miss.

The marriage of Miss Ice Lewis and W. H. Rewly took place Feb. 21st and was attended by many friends, white and colored. G. W. Christian, pastor of Jerusalem A. M. E. church, officiated. The marriage of I. Taylor and Elizabeth Duncan took place Feb. 11th.

THE OTHER SIDE OF IT.

The Illinois State Board of Health Exposed.

Some Misleading Impressions Circulated Concerning the Louisville National Medical College.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

My attention having been called to some statements in the Courier Journal of Sunday, February 19, concerning medical schools, by Mr. Lewis Howe, I desire to make a brief reply to correct the misleading expressions therein, which could otherwise but result in no good. In quoting what he puts down as a direct quotation, he fails to use the words used in the Illinois State Board of Health reports, leaving out the words, "practical knowledge of the English language," which would make a material difference. Then, when he says in the same quotation, "requirements for graduation, none," both himself and the Illinois State Board of Health are very far from publishing a correct report, since the source from which their information was obtained is the catalogue of 1889-90 of the school, in which they could have and can now read, viz.:

"The course of study in this school designs to embrace three (3) years, the last of which must be in the Louisville National Medical College, in order to receive degrees from the faculty thereof All branches of medical science are taught in a thoroughness compatible with the age, and with the 200,000 inhabitants of Louisville, ample clinical advantages are afforded under circumstances that render the facilities for procuring medical and surgical knowledge very desirable." (Catalogue L. N. M. College, 1889.)

Now as to the Illinois State Board of Health being good authority on medical schools, I desire to say that a careful consideration shows its reports to be very vulnerable. The Louisville National Medical College published in its catalogue of 1892, concerning that board, as a matter of self defense, the following statement:

"In reference to the standing of medical colleges, many are misled by erroneous publications. For example, take the report of the State Board of Health of Illinois, which assumes to compile and publish a worthy list of medical colleges of the civilized world. And although the book is no authority, yet some would be led to look with disparagement upon medical schools not therein enumerated. But a careful comparison of the book and the catalogue of the schools recognized by the Illinois State Board of Health, will show the board itself to be either a thoughtless or an unworthy body:

Page 89, Report Illinois State Board of Health: "III. . . . . 2. Three full courses . . shall be required for graduation" in medical school, before a man can be recognized by said board. Then on same page of report, "VI. Time of professional studies—This shall not be less than four full years before graduation." Then read the catalogues of the medical schools of Louisville, Ky., and several will be found that require only two courses of lectures, and not more than three years of study, including time with precepter, yet these two-year schools are commended by the Illinois Board, to send doctors to Illinois to practice with the consent of said board; and a careful examination of this deceptive report of the Illinois State Board of Health will discover the recognition of not less than 100 medical schools that do not even make a nominal effort to come up to the standard laid down by said board Then, in addition, all sorts of medical societies are recommended, without the effort to be schools at all, and, as a consequence, the report is held in very light esteem by thinking medical men, and schools not therein commended feel no disparagement.—(L. N. M. Catalogue, 1892,

When this explanation of the Board's work was widely circulated in Illinois, the Board was called together and hundreds of the schools there recognized were marked down in their scale of recognition, which was a great reform in that body itself. Now allow me to say in addition, that as Mr. Howe says in his interview, that: "Since the suppression of Mr. Buchanan's institutions there have been about thirty other bogus medical schools, but they were short-lived. It is impossible for one to exist more than two years, for as soon as they come to the public notice the law takes a hand." He should not have alluded to the Louisville National Medical College at all, since 1893 is its fifth year of existence, and it would be nothing more than just to refer to a catalogue of 1893, rather than 1867, as we are endeavoring to establish a medical college in accord with the progress of the day. Our requirements in the charter being a three years' course. We have in no instance accepted an offer to depart from it. and graduated in all instances a lower per cent. than most schools in proportion to attendance.—Courier-Journal.

H. FITZBUTLER.

THE PLACES OPEN

At the Top of the Ladder for the Rising Generation.

The average excellence of the age is high, but one of its imperative needs is more great leaders to carry this race from the foot of the ladder to the top. Turn over the pages of history and you will discover that one truth remains the same, that a supreme man always makes a great stride toward the top of the ladder of fame. There are problems, social and political, which non-thinking people are too apt to term insolvable. What the demand is, for men to think them out whose moral and mental standing insure respect, whose judgment will catch the listening ear, and we believe these leaders are in the rising generation. If any market is governed by supply and demand, this is one. Even as I write, I am sure that every day we live we make one step higher on this grand ladder of fame. When we look around we can't see but one Douglass, one Langston and one Bruce, and a great many others. Now the question is who shall take these great men's places when their voices shall fail to pronounce freedom and prosperity to all. Why, I say that the rising generation is to fulfill these places of honor. This much can be said, that every young man and woman has a brilliant future before them.

The elevated heights of a more advanced civilization are before our very eyes. Who will, like Napoleon crossing the Alps, rush to the front and say, "Follow me." Expediency cannot always rule. Right must and only can perpetually endure. Now in conclusion let me say that this is the age of demand, and if we wish to make a success in life we must put our shoulder to the wheel of enterprise and push her forward with a will, and we will surely reach the top of the ladder of fame. We must as Negroes of America help one another, and, in order to make a step in the right direction, take The Freeman. Let every Negro family in this broad land take it to their fireside and read what his brothers and sisters are doing.

A. L. YOUNG,
Sioux Rapids.

Church News.

Spiceland, Ind., Special.

The A. M. E. church at this place is a part of the Knightstown circuit, one among the oldest in the state. It was once the leading circuit in years past, but we weep for her to-day; death, old age, and emmigration has had its effect to-day it is one of the weakest on this account.

George W. Hardiman has aroused a new hope among the A. M. E. members. He is attending Spiceland Academy, fitting himself for the ministry. He has been hired by the Grand United Order to deliver a lecture on "Odditties" March 5, at Knightstown. We expected a grand time. Quarterly meeting was held here March 5th. We had a grand time; our presiding elder, Rev. J. Bass, was with us. Miss Hannah Jenkins has been quite ill the past week. Mr. George Spurgeon is no better. Cubit Hester is Sick. Wm. Young spent Sunday with friends in Greenfield. Elder W. G. Williams spent Sunday in New Castle with Brother Ferguson and others.

The Negro's Opportunity.

Editor Freeman.

After having carefully read the pathetic, manly and outspoken words composing the message by Governor Hogg, of Texas, to the legislature of that state, bearing upon the recent outrage upon law in the burning of a man at Paris, Tex. I began thinking that it would be a grand thing if some move were put on foot whereby a convention of governors would be held for the estimable purpose of devising ways and means for the suppression of lawlessness and mobocracy which is becoming alarmingly frequent, and thus menacing the foundations of government in flagrant defiance of law and order as it exists through law and juries. I thought that if in such a convention the governors would unanimously determine to take a firm stand and demand in no uncertain tone that the majesty of the law be upheld and enforced against offenders, without regard to race or standing, that a great step would be made in moulding a healthy public sentiment opposed to mobocracy and lynch law, I had hardly got to thinking good, when I read in another paper where a convention of governors is to be held at Richmond, Va, April 12th, at which time every governor of the South has signified that they will attend and labor in devising ways and means to advance the interest of the South.

Now sir, this is the Negroes supreme opportunity, and I would suggest that our race in every state should in a dignified and manly way petition the the governor of their several states to consider their grievances as Americans, and in the convention of governors at Richmond in April determine upon some plan for the amelioration of our condition which at present is sad in many states and communities because of well known injustices. For God and humanity.

CEASAR A. A. TAYLOR.
Jacksonville, Fla.

Pine Grove, Ark.

There is lots of marrying going on in this part of the country. The people are beginning to start their crops. I also desire to say that we appreciate your paper, and consider it the best Negro paper in the world.

WORTHY OF IMITATION.

A Society, the Object of Which is the Moral and Intellectual

Elevation of the Race—The Conditions of Eligibility—Church and Personal Notes.

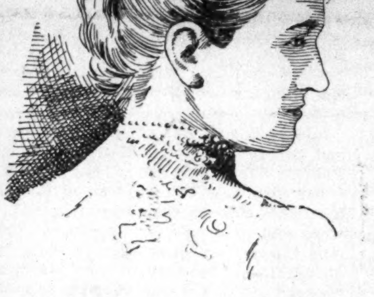
Cleveland, O., Special.

The literary society which has been in process of formation recently, among the progressive young men of the city, is now thoroughly organized. The name adopted is The Philosophian Club. The word, as we all know, is of Greek origin, being composed of two familiar words of that language and signifying "a lover of wisdom." The club does not assume that they possess "wisdom," but rather, that they "love" it and are in pursuit of it.

The club is composed of not old or middle aged men, but young men, in their twenties or thereabouts. Young ladies will be elected honorary members; and also, any gentleman or lady of distinction anywhere throughout the country, will be placed on the honorary list by a vote of the club. It is intended to conduct public exhibitions quarterly. The first of these will be given during the first or second week of next month, at which time it is hoped to afford the public an intellectual feast. The talent among the young ladies and gentlemen is not thoroughly known to the public. We know of no reason why this should not be otherwise.

At the election of officers for the first term, the following gentlemen were chosen: Edward C. Williams, president; Wm. R. Green, vice-president; Edward A. Brown, secretary and treasurer; E. W. Burrell, corresponding secretary; S. W. Hansbary, sergeant-at-arms. The executive committee, on which the general business management of the club devolves, is composed of W. H, Rogers, chairman; E. A. Brown, W. R. Green and the president of the club, ex-officio. It is the purpose of the club to accomplish something, it is its hope to acheive something. It will endeavor to elevate the moral standard of society as well as the intellectual in so far as it may be able.

The policy which will be followed in this endeavor is a very simple one. In the first place, the meetings will be held in rooms which have been procured in the large Y. M. C. A. building, where they will be in touch with the healthful influence that pervades the very atmosphere of such a place. In the next place, the line will be strictly drawn against any and all persons who do not enjoy the highest respect of the people generally. No reasonable degree of consecration or holiness is required, but it is required of those who would become either active or honorary members and made a condition precedent that they be absolutely free from "entangling alliances" with any of the cohorts of vice. No bad habit will be maintained or encouraged, however remotely, but purity and chastity, true manhood and womanhood will be encouraged and sustained. All power and all honor to the Philosophian Club.



MRS. MARY McKEE,
Daughter of Ex-President Harrison.

Rev. L. W. White, of Sandusky, O., preached at St. John's A. M. E. church on last Sabbath. Rev. White is assisting the pastor, Rev. Collins, in his revival. They are both doing some good work.

The young ladies' missionary circle met in their rooms at Mt. Zion church, last Monday evening.

J. H. Kellog attended the inauguration last week.

Mrs. John P. Green can be said to have completely recovered.

There was an entertainment at Cory Chapel on the 8th and 9th inst. There will be a lively debate at the same church on the 13th inst., between Messrs. Lee and Corwin, both of whom are local debaters of some reputation.

There are some very fine movements on foot among our business men, and all that is needed is tenacity, tact and energy, sufficient to produce grand result.

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A Private School.

Austin, Tex., Special.

Julius Millmer, a porter at the state capital, is ill and has been for several weeks. The private high school and primary for children, taught by Mrs. Mattie B. White, at her home in East Austin, is progressing nicely. The attendance is good. Among those enrolled are Miss Carrie Cason, a student of the College preparatory class of Wilberforce University, Xenia, Ohio; Misses Bassett, Bryant, Mrs. V. Harrison and others, number among those enrolled. Mrs. Martha Haywood, a resident of Nashville, Tenn., and recently from Jackson, Tenn., her late home, is visiting her son and daughter, John H. Haywood, and Mrs. Mattie B. White. Thomas J. White, a member of the First Baptist church, has been appointed by the pastor, Rev. Wm. Massey, to conduct a Bible class the 4th Sunday of each month. Mr. S. Williams, barber Scott's brother's wife, is very ill. She had nine spasms Monday, Feb. 20th. Mrs. M. Walton is very ill with a relapse of la grippe. Mrs. John Burs is very ill with la grippe. M. M. Richard, son of Marshall, lectured at Tilltoson Institute, Friday evening. The M. E. church is carrying on a protracted meeting. William Jester's funeral was preached at the M. E. church by Rev. Massey. The parsonage at Grants Chapel is almost complete.

A Hat Festival.

Springfield, Mass., Special.

Wednesday, Mar. 1st., St. John Church gave a hat festival with a large attendance. The Benevolent association met at Mrs. Chas. Dennis with a large attendance. The debate at the Lyceum Wednesday was, Resolved that discrimination is better for the Afro-American in the South than equal rights. A number of interesting points were brought out on each side. The decision was in favor of equal rights. Supported in the negative by Rev. H. S. Brown and D. W. Johnson, and in the affirmative by E. R. Lewis and George Thornton. Mrs. Rosa Paterson, of Monroe Street, has returned from a two weeks' visit in New York. Mrs. George Brisco, of Hartfort, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster. Mrs. Abrams, of Chelsea, Mass., spent Sunday with her husband in this city. Miss Theonere Prim spent Sunday with the Misses Johnson of Loring street. Mrs. Z. C. Freeman gave a party for her little three year old daughter.

Does This Sound Like it?

Editor Freeman.

I noticed an article in your valuable journal of Februrary 11th, quoting an article by Fisher and Farmer, relating to Mr. Douglas, our ex-minister to Hayti. It said that Mr. Douglas was playing out. I wish to call attention to the fact that Mr. Douglass is more popular in the minds of the American people to-day than he was twenty years ago. The assertion that only twenty persons were present to hear him deliver the dedication ceremonies at the Haytian Pavillion at the World's fair is also untrue. Before he concluded his remarks, there was fully one hundred persons in attendance and twice that number were met on their way to the Pavillion. If the occasion had been announced three days in advance there would have been at least three thousand persons present. The Director General of the World's Fair had only an hours notice. The cause of this short notice will probably never be made public. To prove that he is growing stronger in the minds of the people, his lecture on Hayti, which he delivered Jan. 2nd, 1893, in one of the largest churches of this city was largely attended and many persons turned away for want of room to stand. They are all anxious to obtain his lecture published in full, which we will put in the hands of the public in a few weeks.

GEO. WASHINGTON.
Chicago, Ill.

New Castle, Ind.

One of our oldest citizens in Henry county, Spirey Schucraft, deceased here Thursday evening. Funeral services took place Sunday evening at 3 o'clock at Second M. E. church, from which he was taken to South Mound for burial. Miss Mary Robberson, one of the popular young ladies of this city, who has made her home at Marion, Ind., for over a year, spent a few weeks with her parents here last week. Miss Estella Robberson is convalescent. Miss Anna Coleman spent Wednesday evening with her sister in Anderson, M. A. Byrd. Quarterly meeting was held here Sunday, conducted by Elder Rollins and Rev. John Bailey.

Decatur, Ill.

Decatur is a city of about 22,000 inhabitants of which 1,500 are colored. We have three churches and the people generally are doing well. John Bird will build a four room cottage this spring. Miss Dora Woedfork, who has been visiting friends in Ohio, has returned home. Miss Ella Scott, Mrs. Hawkins, and George Nickens are sick. Mrs. Hardy, of Taylorville, and Mr. Douglass, of Springfield, visited friends in this city Sunday. A. L. Nickens is a member of the firm of Montgomery & Co,. Miss Laura White, who has been teaching school in Southern, Ill., has returned home. The employee of the St. Nicholas will give a grand ball at the Guards Armory the 16th. The Antioch Baptist church is holding a revival meeting,

INAUGURATION EXERCISES.

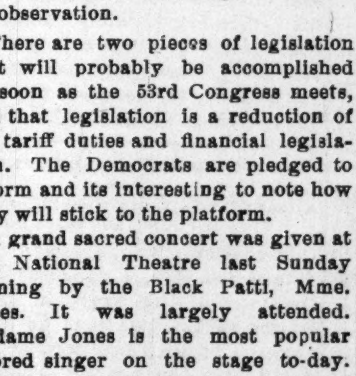
The Day—Cleveland as Man and President.

The Political Machinery—Pending Legislation—Democrats will Stick to the Platform—Jones' Concert.

Washington, D. C., Special.

On last Saturday for the second time Grover Cleveland took the oath of office and was duly inaugurated president of the greatest Republic on the globe. A more disagreeable day could hardly be conceived than marked the new era in our public affairs. There was a war of the elements and the public were the sufferers. But Cleveland and Harrison braved the elements and rode from the white house to the capitol in an open landau. When the exercises were over in the senate chamber, Cleveland retired to the platform to address the public for the second time and to swear fidelity to the American constitution. Cleveland is an eminent statesman ornerous duties of his office. He is a man who is free from the bad proclivities of most politicians. He is independent and will ever labor for the whole people. He is not governed by others, but by himself and there is no doubt that his administration will be one of the most successful in our history. Of course, Afro-Americans are interested in Mr. Cleveland's whole speech, but the part that they will probably be most interested in I have selected. Though it may seem small yet there is in it that which shows that Mr. Cleveland's love of liberty and shows that he realizes the important factor the Negro is in our body politic. Following are his remarks above referred to: "Loyalty to the principles upon which our government rests positively demands that the equality before the law which it guarantees to every citizen should be justly and in good faith conceded in all parts of the land. The enjoyment of this right follows the badge of citizenship wherever found and unimpaired by race or color. It appeals for recognition to American manliness and fairness." This is all that is sufficient, it is a gem. It assures us all that Mr. Cleveland is alive to the many disgraceful scenes in our land and will to the utmost of his power protect life and secure the administration of justice.

It has been many years since the Democratic party controlled the machinery of the government in this country, but the election last November confirmed the desires of the most sanguine Democrat and blasted the hopes of the most faithful Republican. The Democratic party has in hand the reins of government and how they will handle them can only be learned by observation.



MRS. CAROLINE HARRISON, (deceased)
Wife of Ex-president Harrison.

There are two pieces of legislation that will probably be accomplished as soon as the 53rd Congress meets, and that legislation is a reduction of the tariff duties and financial legislation. The Democrats are pledged to reform and its interesting to note how they will stick to the platform.

A grand sacred concert was given at the National Theatre last Sunday evening by the Black Patti, Mme. Jones. It was largely attended. Madame Jones is the most popular colored singer on the stage to-day. E. E. Cooper, formerly proprietor of The Freeman, is in the city.

CHARLES SUMNER DIXON.

THE WIDOW

Of A Lynching Victim Sues for Damages For the Moss of her Husband.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.

The widow of Alfred Blount, who was lynched at Chattanooga, Tenn., has brought suit in the court for $25,000 damages. She is right. This case may put the white lynchers in a bad position. "Mischief, thou art a fool. Now let it work, take thou what course thou will." The people of our town are pleased with the courage of Mr. Taylor, of Mo., and wish we had such a man in our state. M. E. J. Jennings is to address the journey workmen of the barbers union, March 9th at Jones Bros. and Martin's. Dr. J. R. Riley's paper on Gen. Butler, which was read before the Y. P. S. at Shiloh Presbyterian church, was good. A day or two ago the city school teacher of Harriman came over to visit the city school here. Miss Florence E. Smith being in company with the other lady teacher (white) entered the ladies waiting rooms at the depot. She had scarcely taken a seat when a big burly policeman approached and informed her that the colored waiting room was down stairs. Miss Smith being a native of New York state did not heed the information not being used to such. He, seeing she did not move, returned and gave he the same information, only in a different manner. She, fearing that he might eject her (that he did not do) arose and left the room and stood on the porch in front of the door. The white lady who heard the policeman's remarks and meant to resent the insult to Miss Smith, left the room with Miss Smith and stood on the poarch with her till the train came. The action of the white ladies was cutting to the policeman.

Wilkes Barre, Pa.

Miss Rosa Jackson and Grace Neff spent Sunday in Fairview the guest of Miss Alice Brown. The Pugsley Brothers sang in Plains Thursday, the 23rd, ult., under the auspices of the Epworth League. The Altar club of Bethel church held a tea drinking on the 20th, ult., which was a success. Net receipts $17.00. The Relief Corps gave a Panorama at their hall on Washington's birthday, it being their anniversary also. Miss Hattie and Susan Logan spent the Sabbath in Plains the guest of Miss Bertha and Cordelia Towns. Mrs. Anna Downey is convalescing. Mrs. Jacob Cumpton is ill. The rally at Bethel church amounted to $70 00, which will be paid on the parsonage.

Sunday is Quarterly meeting at Zion A. M. E. church. Their Presiding Elder, Rev. Lacy, was here and held Quarterly conference. The Puggsley Brothers song here for the benefit of Zion A. M. E. church. Miss Cordelia Towns, who has been ill, is able to be about again. Mrs. George Griffin was in Scranton, Tuesday. Thomas Robinson is ill. Rev. D. S. Bently, Presiding Elder of Bethel A. M. E. church, left here for Montrose, Tuesday.

A HORRIBLE DEATH.

A Whole Train Passes Over the Body of a Young Man.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

On February 25th, a young man named Jessie Colfax, while uncoupling a locomotive from its train to get water about eight miles south of Paducah, fell and the whole train passed over him, mangling him to death. He was somewhat a stranger in the city, he was buried in the country grave yard. Mr. Grandison Smith, who had his hand accidentally shot by a pistol, a few days ago, is experiencing more trouble than first expected. Many new churches are to be built in this city in the near future, ranging in value from $15,000 to $50,000. The funeral of Rev. Thomas Taylor, whose death was mentioned in last issue, was preached on the first, by Rev, George W. Dupee, to a crowded house, Rev. Taylor was widely known and much respected as a christian gentleman. He had only been pastor of the Seventh Street Baptist church, a little over a year, he came to this city from Winchester, Ky., situated in the eastern part of the state, where he had a nice little home. At the funeral a liberal donation was given by the assemblage to convey his remains and family to their former home. The christian fraternity of Paducah, Ky., has lost a good worker. Rev. G. W. Dupee, left on the second, to assist in a protracted effort at Nashville, Tenn. The Odd Fellows' anniversary sermon was preached on the 5th, in the newly completed A. M. E. church. Mrs. Mollie Clark, of 315 South Eighth street, is very sick. Many have opened their eyes in the last week and asked for The Freeman. Here is a mystery, Let the commonest white man go into a barber shop and it is all right, but let a colored gentleman visit it a few times in succession on business, and you will soon see that your colored brother don't like for you to come.

Fulton, Ky.

Our town has been very dull since the holidays, but the appearance of Spring is near, which will make things more lively. We have had much sickness here lately, but health is improving now. J. W. Mitchell and Miss Francis Bayliss, of this city, will be married March 22nd. Rev. C. M. Palmer, of Hopkinsville, Ky., preached to a crowded house last Sunday night, at the C, M. E. church. The Freeman is growing more popular each week. Mrs. Ann Freeman has been very sick for some time, but is improving. Protracted meeting has commenced at the A. M. E. church. Rev. J. D. Alexander has returned from Dyersburg, Tenn. Miss S. H. Edmonson, who has been teaching school here, left for Nashville, Tenn., last Sunday, her native home.

Metropolis, Ill.

Intelligence of the death of Robert Calander has reached us, which occurred Sunday, Feb. 26th, while he was in Cincinnati, Ohio, and far away from his wife and babe. He was buried at White Sulphur. West Virginia, Wednesday, March 1st. He was married to Miss Mamie Jenkins, of Evansville, Indiana, in June, 1881. Mrs. M. Calander is now at 1607, 19th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

RACE GLEANINGS

Loudins Jubilee singers are in New York.

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Six colored men were lynched near Graham, Va.

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A Darien (Ga.) colored man claims to have gathered 900 lemons from one tree.

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Cooking and carpentry is being added to all colored schools throughout Missouri.

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Kansas University has 600 students, 13 of whom are Negroes, ten boys and three girls.

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The largest firm of safe and building movers at Indianapolis are colored, Webb, Jamison & Co.

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The literary society of Leavenworth has a class in German, and one in Topeka a class in French.

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A Populist Senator, of Colorado, has introduced a bill for the repeal of the black law of that state.

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New York has two colored bicycle clubs, it is estimated that there are about 500 cyclists in the city.

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Charles Watkins, of Sioux Rapids, is the only colored man in the state of Iowa, belong to a white band.

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Georgia can boast of an Afro-American jockey who makes $15,000 a year in the person of Mr. Willie Simms.

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Rev. E. M. Brawley, D. D., has severed his connection with the first Baptist church of Petersburg, Va.

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Samuel Jackson won the pie-eating championship of New Jersey by eating fourteen pies in nineteen minutes.

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Out of thirty thousand violent deaths to colored people in the south only three white men have been punished.

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Richard M. Hancock is superintendent of a pattern establishment at Chicago, employing 300 white pattern makers.

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Jerry Anderson, the Afro-American coal heaver, who was injured in the Chilian riot, will receive $5,000 as an indemnity.

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There are 2,394 Negroes employed in Washington by the government, and they draw from the treasury in salaries about $5,000,000 a year.

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J. L. Fleming, of the Chicago Free Speech will be nominated for clerk of the South Town by the Republican South Town Convention.

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Harry L. Freeman, of Denver, Col., has dramatized a play called Ephthilia, that was recently acted by amateurs of that city to a large audience.

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Harry T. Burleigh, a colored student at the National Conservatory of Music, New York, took part in the opera "Faust," which was given there recently.

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Albert Pelkey, employed as a railroad messenger, was killed on the elevated railroad at Chicago last week. He leaves a wife whom he married about two years since.

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During the year 1890, nearly 8,000 Afro-Americans were engaged in the manufacture of pig iron through the South, and the wages paid them amounted to about $3,000,000.

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E. F. Hawkins, a notorious Indian doctor of Cannelton, was sentenced to five years in the Indiana penitentiary for crimnally assaulting a little colored girl at Tell City Friday night.

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Elsa Drake, colored, has sued several Sedalianites, Mo., for $5,000 damages He was hired to sit up with a supposed corpse, and broke his leg getting away when the corpse raised up in the coffin.

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A mandolin contest is to be held in Rochester, N Y,, between Prof. Lancheir, colored, of Boston, and D. W. Jones, white, of Detroit, Mich. Prof. Briffin, of England, will challenge the winner for $2,500.

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Rev. W. B. Fenderson, formerly of Livingstone college, will graduate from the Divinity school of Boston University at the forth coming commencement, he being the only colored member of his class.

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A white man, claiming to be an Indian doctor, has been sent to the Indiana State prison, (Jeffersonville,) convicted of criminal assault on a fourteen year old colored girl. Hawkins is connected with the oldest and most respected families of Virginia and Kentucky.

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A model in wood will be erected at the World's Fair in memory of Abraham Lincoln. There will be eight bronze statues representing Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, Charles Sumner, Robert Brown Elliott, John Brown, Wendell Phillips, Owen Lovejoy and William Lloyd Garrison.

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Jasper Jones, an old man, a resident of Indianapolis, died last week under suspicious circumstances. An investigation revealed the fact that his death was the result of poisoning. His wife who was much younger than himself and one McClure who boarded with the family are suspected of the crime.

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The Siamese twins have been equaled by the Chinese twins just brougt to Mankin from Tianagsil. The boys, who are eight years old and in all respects save one like their fellows, are joined to each other by a piece of flesh as thick as a man's arm, just below the waist, making the twins stand face to face. The twins never fall asleep at the same time.

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February 19th, John Hughes, a Negro studying for the ministry insulted a young woman on the street in Moberly, Mo. He was quickly arrested and hustled to the lockup. The next morning while the attention of the guard was diverted, three brothers of the young lady entered the cell room and literally showered bullets at the Negro. He will die.

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At St. Paul, Minnesota, February 13, James J. Corbett wrote his check for $10,000, as a forfeit for a fight with either Mitchell or Jackson, and will make an effort to get on a fight with Mitchell in December. If he should fail in this, terms will be made with Peter Jackson for a fight for $10,000 a side. Corbett offers to bet from $20 000 to $50,000 on the side that he will whip the Englishman or the colored man.

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Peter Johnson, an aged colored man, died at Elkton, Tenn., Feb. 23. Friends watched over the corpse until yesterday. One of the women who were watching the corpse procured a towel and some cold water, and began to bathe the brow of the supposed dead man. She was startled to see signs of life, and all the colored people were thrown into a state of terror by the Negro raising his head from his coffin pillow and inquiring what was the matter. The aged darky was taken from the coffin, and is rapidly regaining health.

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The second annual Negro conference was held at Tuskegee, Ala., February 21st, and was attended by about 400 Negro farmers, many of whom are engaged in educational work in the South. The declarations of this conference reaffirm those of last year; discourage the colored men from leaving the country; urge them to secure land and become taxpayers; the drawing of a sharp line between virtue and vice in their race, bring public sentiment to bear against the idlers among the colored men, demand fair treatment from the railaoads and condemn the numerous lynchings in the South.

A PROGRESSIVE PEOPLE.

Atlantic City's Negro Population.—What They are Doing and Have Done.

In a letter to The Freeman bearing date of Feb. 25th, I promised to give the status of the Negro in our city, stating at that time that he stood 16 per cent. of the population, or in actual figures about 2,250. Though the nueclus of gravity and sport south of New York and east of the Alleghaney mountains, on the Atlantic coast, we have as large church going population as can be seen by the existence and maintenance of six churches denominated as follows: A. M. E., Z. A. M. E., M. E., First Baptist, Memorial Baptist and U. M. P. churches. These edifices are all fair, while two can be called first class, though frame structures. The total valuation of church property is $20,000. The ministry is up to the standard. With the six eclesiastics, we have two college bred, and the other four are practically educated and good speakers. In connection with the condition of religion I will mention educational advantage and advancement. We have an excellent school system, and the schools are mixed, color is not a question, it is age, sanity and deportment. I am pleased to say that the Negro children, from all information secured, are equal to the demands, come up to the requirements, and share the laurels. At present we can boast of but one graduate from the high school, Clinton Edwards. Fortune has not smiled upon us in the appointment of any teachers of color in the schools yet, this is due, I believe to the oversight of our citizens, for we have the talent notwithstanding. Aside from this phase of intellectual progress, we have two physicians in the persons of Drs. Fletcher and Cook, the former a practitioner, the latter a principal of a night school. We have several music teachers, the most prominent is Prof. E. W. Hollensworth. In line with the above I might mention Mr. Clinton, real estate, also Messrs. Johnson and Keese, in the same business; Messrs. Vancleaf and Fletcher, insurance agents. Financially our colored citizens, proportionately, are far above the average east. We have but four wards in the city and the following is a synopsis of the financial condition by wards. First Ward, $181,600, Second Ward, $63,800, Third Ward, $167,700, Fourth Ward, $22,2000, making a grand sum total $435,300; all taxable property and improved. This sum represents the interests of 77 individuals, with whose bank accounts I am not conversant, but suffice it to say if known would mean together with property, not less than $750,000 to Atlantic's colored Citizens' credit. The Havelow, Clinton, Paris Jones, Lewis, Butler, Fisher and Furney families are the most wealthy. Politically the Negro in Atlantic City is not matured, yet he is coming, and with the introduction of a few more good men, with those that are here, the ship of state will float more proudly and majestically, shunning the shoals and rocks of a tumultuous and merciless political sea. The leaders at the present have their hands full as there are so many aspirants to lead without capability or following. Peter R. Tucker is the recognized political leader and is the Negro pioneer of the city as he is one of the first, if not the first to settle here. He is at present our Republican nominee for City Marshall. With a Republican majority of 400 the nomination is equal to election, so to speak. No elective office was ever secured by a colored man here, while many have enjoyed appointments to minor stations of duty, such as cuspidore manipulating at the city hall or janitorship at the schools and work upon the streets. Apart from police appointments, exceptions have only been two, in the persons of C. P. Gordan, assessor's clerk, and G. Clinton, custom's service at Philadelphia, as patronage for district. But the situation is getting brighter and we confide in the faith of the future und believe order shall be restored out of chaos and confusion. We cannot complain about a superflous amount of enterprises as they are a scarcity, considering the means to do. Our merchants are small, that is, their stock in no case exceeds $400. excepting, probably, the hair-dresser, Mrs. Warick. Those that do business included in the above named are Mrs, Givens, grocery; Mrs. E. Riner, grocery; liquor business, W H. Furney about $2 500 involved; Wm. Ives, about $2,100 involved, saloon and pool room. J. P. Simpson and J. L. Forman, tobacconists, each about $150; S. M Escoffery, upholster $250. We have four hotels with an average of 30 rooms each and good accomodations. The proprietors are G. Wayman, A. A. Havelow, Robt. Mickens and W. H. Furney. There are nine barber shops operated by nineteen barbers and about $650, involved. Ten restaurant with not more than $2 500 involved. As artisans and tradesmen, we have eight carpenters, two shoemakers, three painters, one tailor, several dressmakers and others, but these follow daily their trades. All communications or subscriptions to the Freeman will receive prompt attention by addressing J. E. Williams 1125 Baltic Ave., Atlantic City, N. J.

The Union Club.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

The Union Club met Feb. 21st, 1893, at James Wilson's barber shop to transact business in the interest of the colored race. There are thirty-two members belonging to this club. Those who were present are as follows: R. C. Cook, J. C. Strange, Monroe Duncan, N. J. France, Chas. Covington, John Duncan, Lem Board, J. B. Stubbins, Ike Barkley; Wm. Nelson, Pres.; C. G. Jones, Sec'y; Jake Jones, Vice-Pres.; James Western, Treas. R. C. Cook addressed the club on "Virtue and Morality." Wm. Nelson presented a resolution stating that the club try to stop the colored people from riding on excursion trains and save that money for a better purpose. After this, J. C. Strange stated that his heart was converted against excursion trains, for he had seen that he had stood in his own light. This club receives membership free among men who are in good standing in the city at each meeting. John Gordon was united to the Bowling Green lodge No 1599 Odd Fellows, Feb. 22nd. Frank Hampton is up and going about. He was in the city to receive his money from the N G. Bowling Green lodge No. 1599 The Y. P. R. club met Feb 23rd and had a glorious time. The band gave a grand entertainment at Webb's hall last Tuesday night. Do not fail to see the Art exhibition at the State St. Baptist church to-night. Miss Fannie B. Edwards is now in the city.

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Alexander Ferguson, who was sold from Richmond, Va., to Columbus Ga., just before the war. Any information respecting the above will pe gladly received by his brother, Charles Washington Norman Fairleigh, Glester Road, Bristol, United Kingdom.

I would like to find my grandson who left Atlanta, Ga,, two years ago to see his mother. His name is Walton Walker his mother's name is Julia Walker. He has a sister named Julia. His father is now dead. Any information concerning him will be thankfully received by Lynda Whittaker, Greensboro, Ga.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of my father, Thomas Lucas, of Wilmington, N. C., lived in New York City in the neighborhood of McDugal and Sullivan streets, about 1885. Any information will be gladly received by David L. Brown, 1 Tottenham street, Tottenham Court Road, London, W., England.

The undersigned will be under obligations for any information of Enoch J. Howard who left Buffalo, N. Y. for California between 1849 an 1854, last heard of in Stockton, Cal. His father's name was Abraham Howard and his home was in Fredericksburg, Va. A brother lives in Detroit, Mich., whose name is Alexander J, Howard; a sister, Sarah C. Howard lives in Springfield, Mass., No. 48 Monroe street to whom all information should be addressed.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of Jennie Sweet, my mother, of Columbus, Franklin county, Ohio, or Frank Hall, her brother, the former when last heard of was living at 69 E. Spring street, Columbus. The latter was living in Athens, Ohio. Any information of either persons will be thankfully received by

NELLIE SHANNON, "Era" Office,
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London, W. C., England.

Mrs. Emma Drury of Ensor, Davies Co., Ky., would like to know the whereabouts of her brother Wm. Nard or Bosley, who left Owensboro, Ky., during the war. He is light brown in complexion, probably forty years old; was known as Wm. Nard when a boy; but was sold to Nick Bosley and perhaps changed his name to Bosley. Any information about the above named person will be gladly received by his sister, Mrs. Emma Drury, Ensor, Davies Co., Ky.

Robert Ferguson and Ann Elizabeth Ferguson who were sold from Albermarle county, Va. five or six years before the war, were owned by Robert Barkly Moon, who lived at that time near a little town called Scottsville. My father's name was Peter Fergurson, my mother's name was Francis Ferguson. There were two other boys Jasper and James Ferguson. Any information of the above relatives will be gladly received by their brother, C. P. Ferguson, Osceola, Mississippi Co., Ark.

Mrs. Maria Roberson of 124 Demperster street Evanston, Ill., would like to find her relatives: They are named Lloyd, Israel and Aaron Murry. Two brothers, John and Levi Murry are dead. Aaron Murry, my father, died when I was eight yoars old. Eliza Murry, my mother, died eleven years ago; she died in Baltimore, Md. Sister Charlotte Murry was sold by Thomas Barnett, living in Cambridge, Md. Please send information to me as above.

Information is wanted of my two brothers and three sisters, Bettie Martin, Kate Martin, Phoebie Martin, Bob Martin, and Peter Martin. I left them near Oxford, Ga., in 1829. I last heard of them in Camden county, Ga. They were sold to a man by the name of Vennard. Any information as to their whereabouts will be thankfully received by me. Maria Moore, formerly Maria Vennard, Marianna, Ark.

I have a mother I have not heard from in 30 years; her name is Rachel Barcum. She has four children; their names are Louis, Low and Allen, and a daughter by the name of Hannah. The last time I heard from her she left Macon, Georgia, with a white man by the name of John H. Low. Every pastor will please read this to his congregation and readers will please inquire. Any one giving information will oblige Louis Williams, Searcy, White County, Ark.

I wish to make inquiry concerning my relatives, My mother's name was Mary Ann Willis, and my fathers name was Winston Beyers, My mother died when I was 13. She belonged to C. Willis. I was sold to John Roach when I eight years old, then I was sold to Bill Roach. He sold me to Jeannette Crab, and I was then sold to a Negro trader by the name of Tom Pankey. I have five sisters whose names are Martha Ann, Harriett Barbara, Isabella, Amanda and Cynthia, also one brotheer named Andrew Jackson Willis. My name, Mahala Willis is now Mahala Wilkes. We last saw one another fifty years ago. Any information please address me at Searcy, Ark.

Mrs. Patsey Smith would like to find the whereabouts of her four children, Frank, Henry, Jane and Ben. All belonged to a man by the name of Brown. They were taken away from him by a man named Crockett and brought to South Carrollton, Ky., on Green River. Ben was left in Holly Springs, Miss.; he has not been heard from. Frank, Henry and Jane were carried from South Carrollton, Ky., by a Negro trader by the name of Corbin. They have not been heard of since. My maiden name was Patsey Crockett. Any informotion concerning the above four persons will be thankfully received by their mother, Patsey Smith, Central City, Ky.

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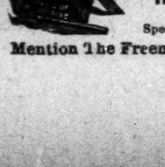

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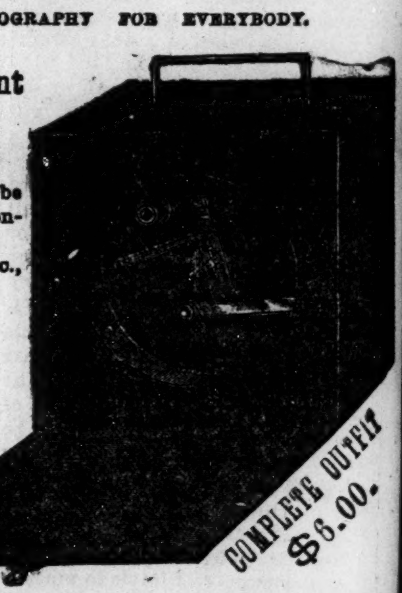

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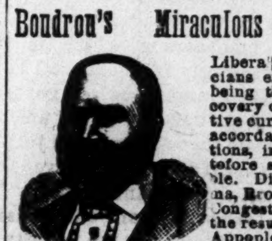

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VERY RARE.

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SURE.

We believe that the United States is fast moving toward a fearful crisis in its history. When lawlessness becomes the acknowledged rule of civil conduct anarchy is sure to result.—The Age,

NO DOUBT OF IT.

Afro-Americans have some cause for rejoicing over the appointment of Judge Gresham. He has always been a friend to the oppressed and it is more than likely that he will be guided in the future by his natural inclination.—Afro-American.

IT WON'T ALWAYS BE SO.

You can shoot a Negro down here and get off scot free; but if you whip a horse, strike a dog, or torture a cat, you will be severely punished, and may consider yourself lucky if you escape jail. Strange inconsistency!—The Planet.

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A southern man came to Cairo, and attacked a white school teacher with a cow hide, for which the Circuit Court fined him $100. Had this been fifty miles farther south, and the victim been a Negro, this white man would have received a medal of honor.—Cairo Sentinel.

BUT WILL THEY.

The Democratic party pledged itself to the repeal of the Sherman silver law. It is the duty of Democrats to keep their pledges. Mr. Cleveland is a safe leader and every member of the party should follow him without question.—The American Citizen.

AND IN INDIANAPOLIS ALSO.

Now there are such men and women in Atchison who will talk race interest to you but never act it. Give us more conscientious people whose wishes of success consist not in empty sounding words but liberal patronage. With such a community we may hepe to build "monuments of granite."—The Atchinson Blade.

WE CAN'T AGREE WITH YOU?

The Afro-American race, above all others, should avoid a public parade of their difficulties, not only in the churches, but in all of their relations in life—ecclesiastically, socially, fraternally, commercially and otherwise, for it does the race no good, but a great deal of harm. United we stand, but divided we fall.—The Elevator.

IT'S BAD ENOUGH ANYWAY.

It seems the only needed atonement for Negro life and blood is that he be or was accused of some crime, now we do not object to the taking of our lives, nor the spilling of our blood. Oh no! But do object to the way in which this is done, and add, if we are to have a hell, let us at least have it by the law. —Langston City, Herald.

YES, YES.

The Hawaiians may become citizens of this glorious republic, but we will wager our hope for eternal bliss that, ere many months, they will be called "niggers," and lynched by mobs in their own snug islands. Better remain an independent people than be subjugated to Anglo-Saxon prejudice and discrimination—The Statesman.

HAPPY DAY.

When the interest of the race is at stake, we should all be Negroes forgeting for the time being that we have ever differed upon individual measures. But when we confront the enemy with our lines broken, and internal conflicts going on within, we can hope for nothing but failure. We hope to see the day when we shall learn to differentiate between personal and racial issues.—American Baptist.

NO HE WON'T.

Nearing the inauguration of Grover Cleveland, the Democratic press is beginning to clamor for the repeal of existing pension laws. Backed by the copperheads of the North and Southern Brigadiers will doubtless attempt it, but we venture to say that the loyal people of the country will send up a loud and earnest protest that even Grover Cleveland with his well-known hostile attitude will not dare to deprive the old soldiers of their just dues. —Feret and Journal.

NOT POOR WHITES, LOW IRISH.

In all of its ramifications, we cannot help remembering that the majority of the communicants in the Roman Catholic church, consist of a class of poor whites in America who are bitterly arrayed in sentiment against the Afro-American. A class that makes itself prominent by generally objecting to colored people living next door to them, or even on the same street with them; a class that objects to colored children attending the same public school with white children.—Philadelphia Tribune.

SO HE MUST.

That the Negro can hold his own in any branch of art, science, literature or trials of skill, where he has a fair show has long ago been proven; in individual contest, whether at college or in the every day life of the workshop, factory, or any place where there are one or two Negroes, these two will be at the top for efficiency in the discharge of their duties. This is perhaps to be largely accounted for, when we consider the fact that a Negro in America must know twice as much in any branch, whether of art, science, or mechanics as any other class of Americans, in order that he may be able to hold his own against his fellows.—Illustrated Guide.

Will Test the Separate Coach Bill.

Cynthiana, Ky., Special.

Mr. Speed Hutson entertained a few friends Feb. 22d, at the residence of Miss Mattie Winsten. Rev. Dr. Welch, of Harrodsburg, preached the annual sermon of Odd Fellows, Sunday March 5th. Rev. Able has been assisting Rev. Ross in his protracted meeting the past week. Prof. W. L. Brown went to Washington Thursday to visit his parents. There is talk of a meeting to be held in this city some time in March, to raise money to test the constitutionality of the separate coach bill. Miss Fannie Berry, one of the teachers of the public school, has been confined at her home by illness. Mr. Will Jackson has purchased a handsome home in the west part of the town. Mr. Anderson Hayden has been made a very flattering offer for his handsome property. The young ladies' drill corps contemplate going to Paris, Ky., about March 6th, to give a display drill.

Prominent People in Canada.

Chatham, Ont., Special.

The following are prominent colored persons of this place: Bishop Walter Hawkins, Alfred Shadd, teacher in King St. school, one of the public schools in this city. The prejudice of the school board compelled all the colored children to attend that school. Miss Pleasant, of Detroit, is his assistant while he holds his position as principal. Miss Emma Fox, of Flushing, N. Y., principal of the Wilberforce; Miss Dollie Scott, of this place, assistant; Miss Louis, of Detroit, Mich., is music teacher. R. W. S. Johnson, mail clerk on the Erie & Huron railway train, has held his position for six years by faithfully performing the duties devolved upon him. By virtue of his appointment, the length of time proves his vigilance and punctuality and faithfulness and ability. He was a teacher in King St. school and highly appreciated by all. He went from that to the mail department, by so doing making room for another improvement along the line. Henry Weaver was re-elected councilman; I. Holder, 4th Ward, added to the list. Mr. Weaver has a fine little grocery. He is also a county constable. I. Holden has a nicely located place of business in the grocery business, on the corner of King and Princess streets. His son is in the bakery business. Wm. Needham is in the grocery business. Fred Liss and brother are in the butcher business; N. Murray, a dealer in new and second hand furniture in his own property on King street. The property is worth $7,000. Mr. Talbot, a first-class blacksmith and wood-workman, is carrying on business for himself, also Geo. Reeves is carrying on business in the same way. The annual sermon of the G. U. O. of O. F, Wellington lodge, No. 1065, was held in the B. M. E. church on the first Sunday in March, conducted by the Rev. R. R. Ball; Master of Ceremonies, Alfred Shadd. Mr. Shreeve, a well-to-do farmer, and his wife, are visiting in our town, after which they will spend the spring in Windsor. Perry F. Chase, corner of Princess and Colborne streets, is a prominent citizen and real estate dealer. The Freeman can be had any Saturday by applying to A. Allen, agent, King street, East Chatham.

DEFILES THE CLOTH.

A Baptist Minister Accomplishes the Ruin of a Young Girl.

Ft. Scott, Kan., Special.

Fort Scott colored society is all torn up over another bad break the Rev. C. C. Goines has made and the disturbance has even touched the circles of the public schools. The reverend gentleman! has found another victim, this time a teacher in the city schools, and both the reverend gentleman and his victim have been found out, The matter was made known to Superintendent Benton last Saturday evening, but influenced by the mistaken idea that such a thing could be kept secret, he refused to divulge the facts in the hope of shielding the woman in the case.

Last fall the board of education found themselves short one colored teacher and Prof Benton telegraphed to H. G. Larimer, principal of the Topeka high school for one. He sent Miss M. C. Page, a young colored woman of highly respected family who had just graduated with honors in the Topeka high school. As she was a member of the Baptist church she sought out the Rev. Mr. Goines on her arrival in Fort Scott. She is a handsome woman, tall, of fine form, and an octoroon in color. Such an oportunity was not to be missed by the scoundrel. He began his attention and in a few months accomplished her ruin.

Nothing was suspected of the affair until quite recently. The girl went to board with Mrs. Dave Brown at 518 west Wall street, and Goines visited her freequently—"in a pastoral way," About ten days ago he was with Miss Page in her room at night and a daughter of Mrs. Brown who is married and lives next door heard her scream and then cry out that she would have to have a doctor.

Saint Valentine's day, Miss Page was very late for supper. She was out walking with Goines. Mrs. Brown waited supper for her a long time and at length started out to deliver some clothes she had been washing. At the gate she met Goines and Miss Page. She told them that she would go back and get supper. She went to the barn. Here her daughter told her that she believed something wrong was going on in the house and she determined to do a little detective work. Returning to the house she took off her shoes and slipped up stairs by the back way. The door of Miss Page's room has a large hole in it through which she looked and thus caught the pastor and the school teacher in flagrante delictu. Bursting into the room she denounced them both.

Goines left and conducted his revival in the church as usual that night; but the next morning called and begged Mrs. Brown not to tell on him She promised to say nothing if not asked about it. Nevertheless, after mature deliberation she decided not to keep her word and reported the matter to the deacons of the church.

Saturday the affair was reported to Superintendent Benton and he and Mr. Brown, president of the board of education, began an investigation, They called on Mrs. Brown and heard her story. Then Miss Page was interviewed but she denied the whole story, calling Mrs. Brown a liar, and said that all she and Goines were doing was struggling over a valentine.

This clerical Lothario has a long record. Three years ago, while still on the school board he was tried for seduction. His victims are always among young girls, and he is said to use threats to secure his desires. When he finds a girl whom he wishes to ruin he threatens to turn her out of the church if she does not comply with his wishes and afterwards holds the same threats over her if she ever tells on him. But notwithstanding his own weakness, he was always loud in his denunciation of a like failing in the young of his congregation. At one time he remarked from his pulpit that a society ought to be formed which would take every young man guilty of seducing a girl, out into the woods and give him 500 lashes.

Orange Blossoms.

Estill, Miss., Special.

There was another orange blossom celebration here on the 28th, between James L. Williams, of Rollingfork, Miss., to Miss Parolee Ware, of Estill, Miss. The ushers were Jerry Daniel, of Rollingfork, and Miss Capitola Perkins, of Estill. The bride wore a handsome dress trimmed with blue silk. Rev. T. W. Screws, officiating, There was a large crowd witnessed the ceremony. L. O. Ross played the wedding march.

THE GRIM REAPER.

Removes a Man Beloved in Church, Lodge and Family Circles.

New Bedford, Special.

John H C Austin died January 23d, at the family residence, No. 78 Ash street. The immediate cause of his death was a severe cold and chill which he contracted January 3d, and which increased an old trouble. He was taken with convulsions and remained unconscious the greater part of the time, until the end. Mr. Austin was born in New York City May 6, 1847, and was 46 years, eight months of age, he received his education in the schools of that city, remaining there until the riots of 1864, when he came to New Bedford and has since resided here, marrying in 1874, Miss Amelia J. Mead, by whom he had one daughter who resides at home with her widowed mother. For ten years, Mr. Austin was sexton of the County Street M. E. Church, and for four years janitor and messenger of the Mechanics Bank. He was also assistant assessor and special police of this city. He also held positions of trust in the Bethel A. M. E. church, and was also sent as a delegate to the general conference in May, 1888. Mr. Austin was a member of the Union Lodge No. 7, F and A. M., St. Mark's Chapter No. 5, Thomas Dalton Commandery, Bishop Hood's Chapter, Son's of New York, John Peterson Association, of New York, for ten years he was on the committee of foreign correspondence entirely and was ranked as one of the three best writers of the colored Masons in the country, He was also secretary of the Grand Lodge during the year 1888. There were prayers at the family residence Sunday at 12 o'clock. The remains were then taken to the Rempton Street Bethel A. M. E. church, the Masons conducted the services.

The funeral took place Sunday January 29th, the remains were carried out with Masonic ceremonies. Here prayer was offered by Rev. Elijah Greenwich, of Chelsea, and scripture reading by Rev. Chanerford Fairfax, after which, a eulogy was delivered by Rev. C. C. Felts, who spoke in glowing terms of the departed. St. Mark's Chapter then took charge of the remains and had a chapter service with Andrew M. Bush, as master of ceremonies. The body was then taken in charge by Union Lodge No. 7, F and A. M., of which, deceased was a member and past master. The long procession, headed by Hill's band, then started for Oak Grove cemetery, where the interment took place. The pall bearers were, Charles Lightfoot, Charles Z. Douglass, William Jackson and William Carter. The floral tributes were many and of beautiful design, among them being a floral square and compass from Union Lodge, star of roses from Eastern Star Lodge, floral Lyre from Sylvian Guitar Club, calla lilies from Esther Tabernacle. The Mechanics Bank directors a bunch of white roses, and the Social Progressive Workers sent a floral clock, with the hands pointing to the hour the deceased departed from the land of the living, the design was of white roses.

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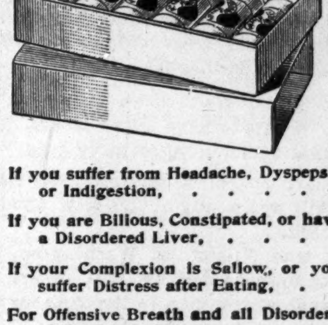

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TELEPHONE, - - 1791.

City Paragraphs.

Miss Ella Perry is sick.

Mrs. Griffin of Brett street, is sick.

Spelling Match at Simpson Chapel.

Furnished rooms to let by Mrs. Addie Cross, 169 Muskingum street, rates reasonable.

Willis Thompson of Alvoid street is sick.

Joseph Cage returned to Minneapolis last week.

Dr. B. J. Morgan, chiropodist, has moved his office.

Mr. Jerry Taylor of "the Bates" spent Sunday in Chicago.

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Henry Beasly has returned from a three week's jaunt in Ky,

Clarence Hamilton died at the Orphans' Home, March 4th.

The Alpha Home election of officers was indefinitely postponed.

John Shirley, four years old, was buried from South Calvary.

Mrs. Hammond reached her home at Covington safely and is doing well.

Most of the churches have under preparation special Easter programs,

Rev. Rollins, presiding elder, and family, have removed to North Vernon.

Allen Dudley who has been indisposed for some time, is slowly convalescing.

Miss Rachel Walker was the guest of Mrs. Ida Bryant during her visit to the city.

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T. H. Frazier, formerly of this city is now head waiter at a popular Florida resort.

In the Coleman-Whited suit for control of the boy Bible reader, the father won.

Mr. Calvin Brooks, of the Bates House barber shop, was in Kokomo last week on business.

Remember the spelling contest at Simpson Chapel, Monday evening March, 13th.

Henry Rudd is convalescing.

Mrs. W. M. Morgan, N. W. street is not expected to live.

Mrs. Mattie Sissle was confined to the house several days last week with a sprained ankle.

Bennie Coleman, the child wonder, in charge of his father, returned to his home last Monday.

Mrs. Rev. Matthews has joined her husband in this city, where they will remain until conference.

A crowd, which filled Odd Fellows' Hall to overflowing, listened to the annual sermon by Rev. B. Farrell.

Don't fail to hear Rev. Matthews, of Philadelphia, in his sermon entitled Brick, at Simpson Chapel, tomorrow.

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James Poindexter, of Brightwood was buried last Sunday from Zion church under the auspices of the Odd Fellows.

Rev. R. T. Anderson, went to Louisville last Saturday and returned Monday, to resume the meeting at Jones Tabernacle.

J. H. Smith, a knight of the "art preservative" paid The Freeman office a visit while en route to his home at Lawrence, Kan,

In the immense crowd which greeted Ex-president Harrison at the capitol Monday night, the Negro was conspicuously absent.

Rev. J. W. Carr held communion services at the Second Baptist church last Sabbath. There were three additions to the church. Collection $60.20.

A grand rally will take place at the Ninth Presbyterian church, the last Sunday in March. The names of persons giving fifty cents and upwards will be published.

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G. L. Knox represented the race in the honorary ceremonies of the "Welcome home" to the ex-president, being one of the reception committee.

Mrs. Mary Jackson, No. 569 West Seventh street, entertained at a dinner last Thursday, in honor of Mrs D. Thomas, of Omaha.

Lulu Creles gave a birthday party, at the residence of G. H. Scott, No, 369 West New York street, in honor of her 14th birthday, on Tuesday 27th ult.

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Cards announce the marriage, Mar. 29th, of Mr. J. T. Leggett, of this city, and Mrs. Mary Thompson, of Jeffersonville, a lady prominent in Samaritan circles,

Notwithstanding the World's Fair furore, many of our citizens will erect houses during the early Spring. Several handsome plans being already in the hands of the contractor.

In the declamation contest at the missionary exercises at Simpson Chapel last Sunday, Master Charles Collins carried off the honors. Willie Hill was his opponent.

Every young man should read the able article captioned "Do Something, Be Something" to be found on the third page of this issue, written by John Alexander of this city.

Webb and Jamison, house movers, recently performed a difficult piece of machinery moving, that of the entire power plant of the Electric Light and Power Company.

Mrs. Harry Jones of 512 E. 7th street, entertained a number of friends at luncheon on Saturday March 4th, at 3 p. m., in honor of her sister Mrs. D. A. Thomas, of Omaha, Neb.

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Rev, O. A. Williams, of the Ninth Presbyterian church, will preach tomorrow at 11 a, m. from St. Luke 15:14. Subject "A stranger in a strange land." At 7:30 p. m. from I John 3:2. Subject. "Final transformation of the righteous."

The Jasper Jones Case.

The coroner has taken all the evidence in the case of Jasper Jones, colored, who died at North Indiadapolis about three weeks ago under suspicious circumstances. The evidence is conflicting in many important particulars. The coroner will lay it before Prosecutor Holtzman and if he deems it strong enough will afterward submit it to the grand jury. The coroner has also the stomach of Jones, and, if it is deemed advisable, an analysis will be made.

There is hardly enough evidence at the present time to induce the belief that the man came to his death by any other than natural causes. It has been shown that he fell from his wagon, two days before his death and received injuries which were sufficient to cause his death.

Bates House Items.

We are to have a musical and literary entertainment at an early date.

H. Smith, a musician, of Canada, will wed a lady of this city about the 18th.

Gus Wilson, of Washington, D. C. announces that he will dance a jig against any man in the state for $10.00 Time and style considered.

Prof. James Bivans leader, and P. J. Cooper, secretary of the Bivans band and orchestra will visit Chicago next month.

Ed Moore, a pupil of Prof. J. Bivan is becoming a clever violinist.

Mrs. Lulu Miller has returned from Jeffersonville.

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Chicago, Ill., Special.

If the colored waiters in the hotels in the United States wish to be posted about many things to their interest, it will be to their advantage to read the Freeman. Rev. Dr. John T. Jennifer, pastor at Quinn's Chapel, is doing a splendid work in this city to advance the welfare of his race and his church, Hon. C. B. Farwell and Hon. A. Dixon will be nominated by the Republicans for mayor of Chicago. Hon. Edward H. Morris has been elected as attorney for several large corporations. Mr. Morris is a colored man and one of the ablest lawyers at the Chicago bar. The Masons will hold a meeting here next week for the purpose of denouncing and exposing the crooked work and bogus masonry started here last week by William Fields, O. M. Moods of St. Louis, Mo., and some expelled Masons of Chicago. A company of colored men will soon open a drug store. The congregation of the St. Thomas church will soon build a new church. Rev. D. P. Brown, pastor of St. Stephens church, on the West Side, is making a great success and is very popular with the people. John W. Dunmore, Esq, is one of the leading colored Masons of this state and has done a great deal to build up Masonry among the colored Masons of this state and is the grand commander in chief of Price Hall Consistory of the 32nd degree Masons. Over five thousand colored people have moved to Chicago within the past year and a large number of them are from the states of Kentucky and Tenn. and there is room for plenty more. Mrs. R. D. Boone has been elected vice-president of the Illinois Womens Alliance, an organization that is composed of the most prominent ladies of this state. The home of the House of the Good Shepherd should at once be investigated as there has been a number of charges and complaints made against it. The state of Illinois has a number of leading colored men who want to hold office under Cleveland's administration, L. G. Wheeler, of this city wants to be recorder of deeds at Washington, D. C.; Dr. A. A. Westley, minister to Hayti; W. S. Scott, of Cairo, minister to Liberia; S. N. Casey, of Springfield, minister to SanDomingo; J. B. Smith, of Peoria, recorder of the general land office.

Y. M. C. A, Organized.

Huntsville, Alabama, Special.

A meeting was called at Central Alabama Academy, last Sunday, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing a Y. M. C. A. The meeting was called to order by Amos Manning on whose motion Prof. A. G. Petty was chosen temporary chairman. On motion by Prof. Wm. L. Riley, Prof. P. P. Perkins was chosen temporary secretary The meeting was then opened with the usual exercises On motion of Amos Manning the place of meeting for the present was fixed at Central Alabama Academy. On motion of W. L. Brown, the time was fixed at 3 o'clock. After a short but weighty talk by Prof. A. W. McKinney the meeting adjourned to meet Sunday March 12th, at 3 o'clock, the Central Alabama Academy has enrolled four new students in the last two days. W. A. Weeden has been very sick but is recovering. Mr. Dawson, one of the city mail carriers, was taking a rest last Saturday, by placing substitute Moore in his place. Doctor Chase was very glad to chase away from here. Dr. L. R. Feam, Prof. Wm. L. Riley and Amos Manning were nominated for president. The officers were elected by ballot, which resulted in the election of Dr. L. R. Feam, as president. Amos Manning having received the next highest number of votes was elected vice-president by acclamation, on motion of Prof. A. W. McKinney. Prof. A. G. Petty was elected recording secretary; W. L. Brown was chosen corresponding secretary; Lewis Smith, treasurer; the constitution was then read by the secretary protem, after hearing the constitution, a committee consisting of Prof. A. W. McKinney, Prof. Wm. L. Riley, and Amos Manning, was chosen to amend the constitution. James McGill has lately accepted the agencyship of J. G Blaine's life. Miss Willie Brazil, one of the students of Central Alabama Academy, has returned home after several weeks illness. M. M. McKinney has opened a grocery with a full supply of family groceries. The Y. P. S C. E. met Tuesday night. Thomas Lowry, aged 24 years, was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary, Lowry shot and instantly killed his father-in-law last Summer, while coming into this city on a Sunday excursion. Lowry and his victim traveled on the same train from Chattanooga, and just before the train reached the city, he shot his father-in-law, it is thought that he will appeal his case, the shooting was about the defendant's wife. Two bell men, of the Huntsville Hotel, got up a difficulty which resulted in one cutting the other with a pocket knife. Mr. Jos. Pickett, says that he would not do without The Freeman. Epworth League meets every Monday night, when interesting programs are rendered.

THANKSGIVING ENTERTAINMENT.

A Woman Drops Dead—A Mask Party—Hints to Theater Goers.

Louisvillle. Ky., Special.

Patrarchie No. 13 gave a grand thanksgiving entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall March 6th. A mask party was given at Bud Malone's, 414 25th street, March 2nd, Music was furnished by G. J. Dawson's orchestra. Mrs. Daisy Brown (nee Grubb) is visiting her mother. Quinn Chapel is holding a protracted meeting; also Green street Baptist church, G. W. Clark has bought out Ida Jones' restaurant, just across the street from his old one, and is doing a good business. Elder Frank's lecture on morality was good. He should have it published. Watch The Freeman. A delightful reception was given at the residence of Mrs. Lizzie Warden, 1014 Fifth street, on Friday night. Miss S. A. Thompson, of New Albany, was the guest of Mrs. Watson last week. Mrs. Isabella Silkman, aged 58, died Feb. 27. Her funeral services were held at Our Merciful Saviour's church. Miss Sarah Silkman, who came from Chicago to attend the funeral of her mother, is very sick. More than one hundred colored boys and men are in jail here. The marriage of Mr. James Hafford and Miss Alice Lightfoot took place on the ninth inst. The colored people of this city spend $5,000 every year going to theatres, yet not one can get a reserved seat. When are the girls going to stop paying the boys' ways to entertainments? Quite a number of our young people went to Shelbyville to attend Prof Gilliard's Soire. Miss Flossie Thompson, of New Albany, came over to attend the funeral of Mrs. Silkman; also Mr. Sykes and Miss M. Russell A concert will be given under the auspices of the board of directors for the benefit of the consolidated lodges G. U. O. of O. F. at 13th street, March 20th. Profs. R. S. Wilkinson and A. E. Meyzeek attended the Y. M. C. A. convention at Winchester last week as delegates from this city. Their stay there was one of pleasure and service. The Gault house boys gave a very nice party at College hall March 6th. Mrs. E. J. Williams says The Freeman is the best paper she ever read. Mary Payne dropped dead while at work, from heart failure. Her body was shipped to Bordstown, Ky., in charge of Mrs. Minnie Watson. Dr. J. H. Garnett is out of the city in the interest of the University. The Odd Fellows had their thanksgiving sermon preached in their temple last Sunday. The Hall was crowded to the door. Over two thousand people were in attendance. Elder Tyree, of Quinn Chapel officiated The music was furnished by Quinn Chapel choir. Miss Emma Lilly, living on Floyd street, lost everything she had by fire Sunday evening.

Colored Mechanics.

Taylorsville, Ill., Special.

Rev. J. A. Collins was able to be at his post again last Sunday after being away for several weeks on account of sickness. The Sunday school is in a flourishing condition. P. L. Swing is superintendent; C. H. Stewart assistant superintendent; S. W. Bell, teacher of class No. 1; Miss Julia Aolloway has charge of class No. 2; Miss Bettie Collins teaches class No. 3; Miss Gertie Collins, secretary; Mrs. Jane Turner, treasurer; Miss Emma Swing, librarian; Miss Lucy Stewart, chorister. S. T. Madison went to Washington, D C., on the 2d, inst. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Woodford gave a social last Thursday night by the young folks. Sherd Goins, an Afro-American marble cutter, is employed by the Taylorsville Marble and Granite works, (white). George Stewart is head teamster at Milligan & Plowman's packing house. J. C. Bell is assistant foreman at A. J. Willey & Son's lumber yard. John Collins is with Brown & Pierce, the restaurant men. The Freeman is a household necessity; we cannot do without it.

TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.

Fisk University College Notes—Freshman's Nine—Class Distinction.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

The second meeting of the State Teacher's Institute was held in Livingston Chapel of Fisk University March 3d. The meeting was called to order by Dr. John Braden, president. The audience was small on account of the cold weather. After the usual opening exercises the minutes, read by J B. Sharber, secretary, were adopted. President Braden introduced Prof W. S. Thompson, of the Pearl school in the city, who read an excellent paper on "Common School Management." He began with his early experience in the southern part of Indiana, where he first began teaching, and traced it to the present. A piano solo was rendered by Miss Flora F. Wright. The President introduced Dr. Geo. W. F. Price, who read an excellent paper on the "Teaching of Patriotism." After the transaction of the usual business, a song was rendered by the Glee club, after which the meeting adjourned to meet at Central Tennessee college April 1st. J. M. Dunn left for his home in Monroe, La., on the 1st, inst. Jas. T. Ayers has returned to school after an absence of two months in Mt. Adam, Ark., where he has been teaching. The members of the Freshman class were invited to take tea at the house of Prof. Bennett last week, and also had an excellent social at the house of Dr. Hadley. They have also organized a base ball nine known as the "Freshman Nine," and have introduced a new style of hats to be worn by the members of their class only. What next? The Senior Normals are making preparations for a grand social in the near future. Y. E. Redman made a visit to his home in Franklin last week. The Senior College members have distinguished themselves from others by their elegant badges with the inscription, "Class of 93" Washington Bethel accidently broke his leg while taking his class exercises at the gymnasium last week. We are glad to know that he is now improving. Messrs. C. W. Duskell, P. M. Sunday and Val. H. Pepe are ill with mumps. Isaac W. Crowe returned to school on the 3d, inst., after an absence of two months, at Columbia.

A MODEL CONFERENCE.

School Children Observe Washington's Birthday—Other School Items.

Millview, Fla., Special.

Since our last item many things have transpired around our quiet abode that interest us generally, some we regret and some we are proud of. Mrs. Diana Lee, after a long illness, was buried from the A. M. E. Zion church, Revs. S. Brown and L. Perry, officiated. The funeral was one of the largest that Millview has had for quite a while. She leaves a son and three daughters. Rev. J. H. Williams was removed from this work and Rev. S. S. Sanders was appointed in his stead. Rev. S. Brown has also been removed and Rev. B. F. Stevens appointed in his stead. The A. M. E. Zion conference which adjourned on the 27th, ult., was one worthy of note. If all of the meetings of business, especially those of that character, were conducted with like grace and dignity, ere long our pulpits would be filled with intelligence and pure religion, and business would thrive. Mrs. Wm. Charles is now in Warrenton under treatment of Dr. Ross. She has been sick for several weeks, and we hope the change and treatment will prove beneficial to her health. On the 22d, ult., was a gala day with the boys and girls of the public school. A Washington concert was held at the school house. The exercises were of a literary nature, and were well rendered. The flag and hatchet marches were amusing The Jubilee Dramatic performers will give a public entertainment soon, and desire the patronage of all. Mrs. J. A. Spann, Mrs. James Simmons, Mrs. Rovener Simmons and many others attended the A. M. E. Zion annual conference. From the present outlook we will soon hear the whistle of the P. A. T. railroad. The grading is being carried on. We advise those owning land near this road to see that their deeds are properly secured. Rev. S. Brown has been confined since his return home. School No. 25, on the Lagoon, closed with a picnic, examination and exhibition. Mrs. Fannie Edwards deserves much credit for her work in the school. The scholars proved by examination, recitation and behavior that they had been well trained. T. T. Hart's lectures on "Time," was a masterly effort. We only regret that we have not more young men with the same ambition. We congratulate the school and Sylvester Campbell who proves also that he is the right man for supervisor by his earnest work in behalf of the school. School No. 19, at Millview will close on April 5th.

No Colored Candidate.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

A cold wave has struck us. Candidates for municipal honors are springing up like mushroons and the color line seems to be drawn by common consent, as we hear of no colored candidates. The affair concerning the Branch Normal college is deeply deplored by all. The whole thing is rather mysterious and the only point that is quite clear is that some hostility is being directed against the Negroes of the State, what ever phase it may assume. The town is being visited by an unusual religious agitation at the several churches. The state legislature after much discussion has appropriated $15,000 for the World's Fair. Read The Freeman. Mrs. J. C. Stuart left this week for Arkadelphia, on a visit to friends and relatives. Mr. Thad. Cobb has gone to Chicago. The Odd Fellows had their annual sermon preached last Sunday afternoon at Allen Temple. The Freeman should be a weekly visitor in every Negro household in the country, for no better educational factor for colored youth exists.

Colored College Burned.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

Rev. A. G. Greene reports St. Paul church in good condition. Rev. H. Bullock, presiding elder of Miles Chapel, C. M. E. church, held his first quarterly meeting on the Second Sunday. Rev. S. L. Harris, pastor. Rev. J. P. Robinson, who has been pastor of the First Baptist church for several successive years, arrived in the city with his bride, Now we need a parsonage.

The colored Baptist college burned Thursday morning March 2nd at 1:30 o'clock a. m. Loss estimated at $9,000, insurance $4,000. It is believed that it was set on fire. Six persons were injured by jumping from a window of the second story. Rev. J. Tolliver is in our city carrying on a great work and is having a grand success.

Shelbyville, Ky.

Rev. Geo. B. Lynch, pastor of St. John's A. M. E. church, Louisville, Ky., was here last weeks to assist Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh pastor of the A. M. E. church in a revival. The pastor, Rev. Fitzhugh, is beloved by his members and is doing a grand work for the church. The public school is well attended, Prof. Vaughn is principal. A man of ability and who has the esteem of the community. Miss M. E. Fletcher, one of the lady teachers of the public school, her equals as a teacher are not to be found in any community, She is lady of culture and refinement. She is called the model teacher. Dr. Norris, the only colored doctor in Shelbyville, has a large practice. Great preparations are being made for the M. E. Annual Conference. The colored population is about 2,000.

Severe Snow Storm.

Sioux Rapids, Ia., Special.

Sioux Rapids was visited by a very severe snow storm last Monday. The trains were blockded for thirteen hours. Mrs. Susan Buckland, mother of Mrs. Josie Watkins, is sick. Chas. Watkins has joined the Sioux Rapids band and is the only colored man in the state of Iowa belonging to a white band. I. Watkins and Mrs. Josie Watkins are sick. Your paper is truly a gift to my fireside, my wife is very anxious about reading it. She says that its pages are like grain of gold, rich and full of good sense. Henry Watkins is at Paulina, learning the barber's trade.

Athens, Ga.

Elder J. H. Taylor, of the Baptist church, preached an interesting sermon to young men last Sunday; and it is hoped that they will take his advice. The Baptist Sunday School convention will be held here the fourth week in May. Mrs. Carrie M. Taylor is suffering with an attack of the la grippe. Miss Emma Bayer is convalescent. Mrs. Willis Hill has been very sick but is slowly recovering. The Baptist Sunday School has organized a choir. Fifteen persons will be baptized the fourth Sunday in this month. The Odd Fellows' annual sermon will be preached at the Mt. Zion Baptist church, Sunday, March 19th, by Rev. J. H. Taylor. Every one should take The Freeman.

Club Entertainment.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

On Tuesday evening, February 28th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brockman, the members of the Young Men's Standard Club gave a select party to their young lady friends, the evening was spent in conversation and games, after which, refreshments were served in style. There will be an entertainment given some time this month, for the benefit of Y. M. S. Club. Mr. Edward Griffie and Miss Nannie Broaddus were married February 28th, at St. Peter's A. M. E. church. After which ther friends were entertained at Miss Willie Mayo's. Miss Mary E. Smith, of Glenn Ellen, Tenn., visited her cousin, Lizzie B. Hudson. of Clarksville, Tenn.

Art School Closes.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

The closing of the art school was quite a success although the weather was very bad. There were some very fine speeches. Miss Hannah Briggs won the prize in swiftness and painting the best picture at the church. Mrs. Furguson received the second prize. Mrs. Lena Wilson received the first prize for selling tickets; and Mary Nelson second prize. Bendella Cook, eight years old daughter of R. C. Cook, died last Saturday.

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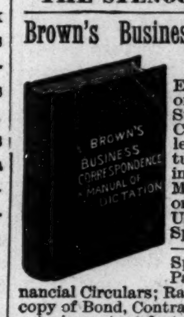

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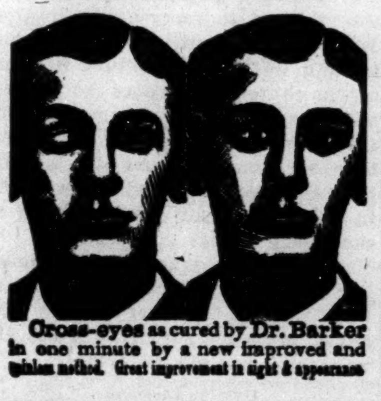

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